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MINUTES

AFTER a stirring prelude, the Forty-third Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America was opened by prayer by Mrs. John T. Meloy, First Vice President.

A double quartet led in the singing of the Convention Song, "All nations, clap your hands," Psalm 19 was read by Mrs. Meloy, another song was sung and Mrs. Meloy turned our thoughts to God, as he reveals himself in nature and to the worship we owe him, closing with the last verse of the Psalm read.

"Fear not thou, O Israel," sung by the choir, brought a message of courage well suited to the opening of a meeting at which the problems of a great work are to be considered.

Mrs. Meloy then introduced Mrs. Robert M. Work who gracefully extended the welcome of Monmouth Presbyterial. Mrs. J. D. Sands, President of the Board of Directors of the W. G. M. S., responded in her usual happy manner, referring to the great changes in the scientific and religious worlds since the first meeting of the W. G. M. S. in Monmouth in 1887. (There had been but four meetings of the W. G. M. S. prior to this; Allegheny, Sparta, Xenia and Allegheny-Sec'y.)

Another beautiful message came in "Peace I leave with you," sung by Mr. Glenn Shaver.

Mrs. E. Paul Jones, President of the W. G. M. S. was then introduced and delivered the annual address on the subject "He hath set the world in their hearts." The following is an excerpt of this excellent address:

World blessings come through man's attempt to respond to the voice of God. When the early dew glistened on the new creation; when man in his innocence walked with God in the cool of the day, behold, all the works of his mighty hand were very good.

In time, the sheen on the picture was dimmed; the harmony of the earth became discordant, and the beauty in man's face became marred with sin. No sooner had sin despoiled the world and robbed man of the

title to his inheritance, than God's voice came forth in call and in promise assuring man of the possibility yet, of triumph.

The voice of God has gone out to the ends of the earth; softened and enriched by the accent of redemption, and some rare souls in every age have heard and heeded the call. The Old Testament carries no mightier fact than that God has yearned with bleeding heart for the world and that he will continue to yearn until all nations shall bow before his Anointed Son and confess that He is Lord. God's promise to Eve, in the early dawn of history was, that victory after the strife would be complete. The beauty, the power and the meaning of Enoch's life is summed up in the words—"Walked with God." The covenant which God made with Abraham lifted the curtain on a world stage, and with God's blessing the world was given it's true religion.

Because of Abraham's vision and the dedication of the life of this "Father of the Faithful," there came in his train, the Kings and the Judges, the Poets and the Prophets, until in the fullness of time the central figure of the Ages, stepped upon the Earth to redeem the world.

The Old Testament is a wondrous unfolding of one central thought, the development of one supreme purpose and plan, namely, the redemption of a lost and sin cursed world.

God set the world in the heart of Moses and in the height of his spiritual manhood, he gave laws to the world, which shall stand forever. David, the sweet singer of Israel, still remains the world's greatest poet. His songs have turned multitudes to the great Jehovah who was his shepherd and his everlasting portion.

We cannot estimate what we owe to the prophets, to whom God gave his plan for the world, through the ages. It is truly the love of God which redeems the world, and it is the love of God in the hearts of men which enables them to take the world in their hearts.

When Christ gave the great commission to the disciples, which became their marching orders, and which are the marching orders of all the disciples who follow in the afterward of the years, there came also into the heart, that which has made the story of Christian missions, or of the evangelization of heathen lands, one which remains unmatched by anything in history.

When distance begins to reveal truly great characters, we find they are not the Captains or the Kings, but the humble missionaries of the Cross. Paul, the foremost early missionary, has remained a world figure. Among those of a later period, we would mention John Wesley, Whitfield, and Moody. We would also name Livingstone and Gordon, Judson, Taylor and Carey. We know the world's history has not been changed by the armies led by these crusaders of the Lord, but by the power of a resistless love for the lost world.

The days of oppression in Scotland, when covenants were signed in human blood, were the days and the darkness out of which our beloved Church was born. The fathers of rugged faith came to this land of promise, and from them the followers have attempted to carry out the command of our Master

in taking and sending the Gospel to those who sit in darkness.

With the world in their hearts, our refined and educated young women went to the South-land at the close of the Civil War to encourage and point to the light, those who had been in bondage.

A little before this time, Gordon with his wife and little daughter had gone to India, sent out by this church of noble heritage and splendid history.

Egypt, with it's teeming millions of benighted and enslaved souls, lured many who were Spirit filled, and with the blessing of God upon them, there stands in that land today, one of the world's most successful missions.

The Sudan is a vast territory, peopled by a dusky and a savage race, but the land and the people are not so vast or far reaching as the grace of God and his love, and to this people, many companies of missionaries have gone. The land has been consecrated with the lives of the martyrs.

The life giving Nile flows through this thirsty land. If the savages should turn the natural course of this river into the sands of the desert, Egypt with her millions would die.

It may be in accord with the plan of God that the waters of Eternal life shall flow from this Sudan into this ancient land. It may be that out of the sacrificing love, which is a type of God's love, of the Giffins, the McLaughlins, the Tidricks, the Oylers, the Maxwells, the Guthries, the Russells, the Smiths, and others that the Master may have a harvest of one hundred fold.

Time fails to mention the names of the worthies who have gone to India, to Egypt, the Sudan and Abyssinia, but this is true, that the chapter of United Presbyterian Missions, equals the devotion, the sacrifice and history of any chapter in the annals of the world.

The part we at home play is inconspicuous in the sight of man. It has been ours to merely give the cup of cold water, in the name of a disciple; when the harvest is gathered in, we shall have a part in the great rejoicing.

Let us ever go forward; the battle is not yet won, but we have his promise that it will be won. With the love of the Master in our heart, gathering here and there precious gems for his rejoicing, we believe that the sun will yet shine on a redeemed world, when he is proclaimed it's King.

"Oh Lord and Master of us all,
What e'er our name or sign,
We own thy way—We hear thy call,
We test our lives by thine."

After a lovely harp solo by Mrs. Glenn Shaver, the preliminary report of the Credential Committee was called for by the President, and given by the Chairman, Miss Fannie Bradford.

The Local Committee and the Members of the Women's Board were called to the platform, and one by one introduced by Mrs. Jones in witty rhymes.

The stage was once more filled, this time by the foreign and home missionaries. These were introduced by Mrs. H. C. Campbell and Mrs. Wm. S. Cook respectively.

After the closing prayer by Dr. Howard Buchanan of Egypt, an informal reception took place, in which new friends and old mingled, while sipping delicious fruit juices.

Jennie B. Wallace, Sec. pro. tem.

SATURDAY MORNING, JUNE 19, 1926

Mrs. E. Paul Jones presided with Mrs. Anna E. Stoddard, Second Vice President on the platform and occupying the chair during a brief absence of the President.

Miss Mary A. Lawrence of India, led in morning prayer, reading the sixth chapter of John—the Bread of Life chapter. She said: The Convention motto is "He hath set the world in their heart"—the world of the lost is what we have in our heart. She then told of a hospital experience; trays of tempting food sent away untasted day after day—then a dream—in which she seemed to see the needy children of India standing around her bed, reproachfully saying: "You are sending away these trays of beautiful food, and we are so hungry—so hungry!" God gave the Bread of Life, His Son, for all: shall we allow any of the distributing stations to be closed for lack of our support? Shall we take away their bread from His neediest children? May God remove any hidden sin in our heart which makes it unwilling to open itself to the world.

Prayer was offered by Miss Ida Little.

The minutes of the evening of June 18th were read and on motion approved.

On motion of Mrs. J. P. White, the President and Secretary were instructed to send night letters of sympathy to Mrs. D. J. Brown and Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson, detained by illness, and to Mrs. John A. Crawford, compelled by ill health to resign her membership on the Women's Board.

The program was presented by the President and on motion of Mrs. A. E. Stoddard was adopted with any necessary changes.

The Chairman of the Credential Committee reported 250 voting members in attendance. The final complete report of this committee will be received on Tuesday morning.

On motion of Mrs. H. C. Campbell, all missionaries in the audience under the care of the Women's Board, home or foreign, with or without credentials, are given full voting power in the Convention. The roll was called showing 137 voting members present.

On motion of Mrs. H. C. Campbell all further corrections of the roll were left to the Credential Committee.

By vote, the calling of the roll of Life Members was postponed.

The President then announced committees as follows:

Credential Committee

Miss Fannie Bradford, Monmouth, Chairman.
Mrs. Pearl E. Whitney, Garnett.
Mrs. D. L. McBride, Ohio First.
Mrs. Joseph E. Pugh, Caledonia.

Recommendations

Mrs. A. N. Porter, Los Angeles, Chairman.
Miss Burd Cochrane, Allegheny.
Mrs. W. G. Comin, Idaho.
Mrs. S. W. Wilson, Des Moines.
Mrs. T. R. Aiken, Southern Illinois.

Resolutions

Mrs. Clarence Finney, Xenia, Chairman.
Mrs. F. J. Hayes, Monongahela.
Mrs. R. J. Huddleston, Indiana.
Mrs. Chas. Mann, Wisconsin.

Nominating

Mrs. J. B. Murchie, College Springs, Chairman.
Mrs. J. M. Richards, Argyle.

Miss Nettie Baird, Ohio Northwestern.

Mrs. Wm. Barclay, Kansas City.

Memorials

Mrs. C. W. Schermerhorn, Oregon, Chairman.

Mrs. J. H. Ramsey, Cedar Rapids.

Mrs. J. A. Aikin, Muskingum.

Place

Mrs. W. C. Davidson, Arkansas Valley, Chairman.

Mrs. Ross Chappell, Colorado.

Miss Margaret Kilpatrick, Delaware

Mrs. John Dout, Beaver Valley.

Tellers

Mrs. Wm. Kennedy, Spokane, Chairman.

Mrs. Mary Black, Mercer.

Mrs. E. A. Bunn, Chartiers.

The Annual Reports were the next order of the program. The report of the Recording Secretary of the Women's Board was called for and presented by the Secretary, Miss Jennie Wallace.

A Few Notes from the Secretary's Report

The death of Mrs. J. H. Maxwell, for some years an invalid and until her going a member of the Women's Board, was noted. Representation at various organizations engaged in mission movements, World Court Conference, Law Enforcement, as well as the usual conferences at denominational gatherings. The resignation of Mrs. John Crawford as Indian Secretary, was announced with much regret. This was ordered by her physician, because of failing health. This report was adopted.

In the absence of Mrs. D. J. Brown, Statistical Secretary, her report was read by Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen. The report had been entirely completed before Mrs. Brown was taken sick.

Some Statistics

Number of Presbyterials in America	58
Presbyterials in India	6
Presbyterials in Egypt	5
Total	69
No. of Women's and Young Women's Societies in Amer.	36,531
Members in foreign fields	2,349
Juniors in America	11,422
Juniors in foreign fields	2,169
Total membership, not including the Little Light Bearers at home and in our foreign fields	52,471

This report was adopted.

The next order of business was the report of the Treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Hill. The Auditor's Report was read. Mrs. Hill prefaced her report with a tribute to the faithful services of Miss E. J. Sloan, Treasurer of the W. G. M. S. from 1886 until 1904, and the comparison of the wonderful increase in offerings, from $4870.70 at Miss Sloan's first annual report to $100,295.70 at her last, and to $636,544.59 for the year just closed. This last amount is a little over $3000.00 less than last year's total, owing to the natural slackening of the New World Movement in its closing days. On the other hand, the contributions from Presbyterials, exclusive of Thank Offerings, were $11,704.70 more than last year.

This report was adopted.

Mrs. Hill also read the financial report prepared by the Financial Secretary, Mrs. D. J. Brown. The auditor's report was read also.

Figures on Running Expenses.

Receipts for the year amounted to $16,477.93.

Disbursements amounted to $16,-460.56.

The Secretary made it clear that these sums are received and applied to the expenses incidental to the carrying on of the business of the W. G.M.S. They cover such items as rent printing, office expense, exhibits, etc. This fund is distinct from that of the Treasurer which is applied exclusively to the support of missions. This report together with the Auditor's statement was adopted.

At the close of these reports Mrs. H. C. Campbell came to the platform and after a glowing tribute to the twenty-one years of wonderful service given by Mrs. Hill presented her, on behalf of the members of the Women's Board with a diamond ring, "without beginning and without end," symbol of the love of God and her colleagues. Mrs. Hill, taken completely by surprise, thanked for the gift and assured us that there had been much of pleasure in the work and in the associations it involved.

Mrs. Jennie Logue Campbell lead the thoughts of all to the word "Peace" next to "Love" the most beautiful word in the language. All are longing now for peace on earth. The only way to bring it about is by having the peace of God in the heart of the world. As Christians we should have peace in our hearts—peace with God and with each other. "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee."

After singing, the meeting was adjourned.

Jennie B. Wallace, Sec. pro tem.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON JUNE 19TH

Miss Esther Wilson, of Egypt, who was to have led in devotions, was detained by illness. Her place was taken by Mrs. Howard Buchanan, of the same Mission.

The 25th chapter of Matt. was read, Christ, sitting as King, will pronounce the "Come, ye blessed of my father" not only upon great leaders, but upon those who, in humble daily duties, serve their Master.

On behalf of Mrs. D. J. Brown, Statistical Secretary, Mrs. Heagen announced the names of the eighteen Presbyterials entitled to a place on the Honor Roll as having a missionary society in every congregation: Albany, Argyle, Arkansas Valley, Beaver Valley, Cedar Rapids, Chicago, Colorado, Hudson, Idaho, Northern Indiana, Los Angeles, Monongahela, Oklahoma, Omaha, Spokane, Uncompahgre and Wisconsin and pennants were presented to their representatives except in the case of those who by continuance in well doing were entitled to retain for another year the trophies already won.

Mrs. O. H. Milligan, general Thank Offering Secretary gave her annual report. As the Alpine herdsmen sound from peak to peak the notes of "Praise ye the Lord," so should we sound out His praises for the heart of love and sacrifice He has put into the women of our Church.

Thirty-two Presbyterials are on the Honor Roll, having given a Thank Offering and reported the same on time from all auxiliary societies. Honorable mention is made of ten others lacking but one. Egypt's offering of $3165.14 and India's of $868.00 are

disbursed in their own countries and are in addition to the Thank offering reported, which is for 1925, $161,550.-05. This includes interest on early returns, deposited in bank.

The report was adopted after the reading of the auditor's certificate.

Miss Elizabeth Milligan in beginning her report as Literature Secretary, urged presbyterial secretaries to diligence in distributing literature, in encouraging mission study and in promoting prayer groups and individual prayer.

175 societies reported classes in Dr. McCulloch's book, "The United Presbyterian Church and its Work in America."

"Moslem Women" by Dr. and Mrs. Zwemer is a new study book by acknowledged authorities on the subject.

"The Uplift" by Mrs. Charles Fulton is again recommended for children's home mission study and for foreign—Mrs. Zwemer's "Two Young Arabs" and a series of leaflet stories.

The report of the Women's Missionary Magazine was given by Mrs. J. P. White, Editor, and Mrs. Fanny F. Moore, Treasurer, who have just completed the first year of their new work, taken up after the death of their honored predecessors, Mrs. George Moore and Miss Hazel Flagg. The Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund has reached the sum of $5008.-61. The Magazine's circulation has made a creditable increase, but still includes only about one third of the membership of the women's and young women's societies. The auditor's affidavit was read and the report adopted.

"Annuity bonds, Trust Funds, and Wills" was the subject of Mrs. H. C. Campbell's report which followed. An annuity bond yields a steady income and at the annuitant's death the principal automatically goes to the W. G. M. S. After the president had read the auditor's affidavit, the report was adopted.

Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen, Editor and Business Manager of the Junior Missionary Magazine gave an encouraging report of its growth in interest and circuation, which was adopted.

Several little girls then entered and with songs and speeches "Boosted" the Junior Magazine with an energy sure to bring in subscriptions.

Miss Ida B. Little reported that 54 presbyterials have Young Women's work in 459 societies, a gain of five.

Reports show that 122 missionaries were formerly members of Young Women's Societies, 25 in the United States, 43 in Egypt, 36 in India, 9 in Abyssinia, 3 in Sudan, 6 in other countries.

The permanent Young Women's Special is the support of the Pasrur Girl's Boarding School.

The salaries of three home missionaries and one foreign missionary are paid. A surplus remaining this year, part of the salary of a second foreign missionary will be paid and doubtless in time the whole.

The average contribution per member of the Young Women's Societies to the seven departments of work of the W. G. M. S. and to assessments is $2.35; to the Thank offering $3.48; to Young Women's Special, $0.76; total $6.59.

Several psalm selections were sung by a group of children under the di-

rection of Mrs. T. H. McMichael. The children in their clear, true tones and fine expression reflected great credit on their trainer.

Mrs. W. R. McMunn, Secretary of the Junior Department, read her annual report on this work.

The Children

There are 11,422 Juniors and 1,451 Little Light Bearers. The Juniors have overpaid their "Special" (Primary Schools for Girls in India) by $148.04. Their total contributions for the year, including their Thank Offering were $20,965.71. The Little Light Bearers gave $242.00. 340 boxes and barrels went to the various mission stations, and a large quantity of dolls, toys, quilts, etc., from the Boston exhibit.

Texas received a pennant for having a Junior Society in every congregation.

The report of the Junior Secretary was adopted.

The Juniors gave a little pageant entitled "Is it nothing to you?" (written by our own Miss Barnes.) It showed an indifferent little girl who did not want to go to the Junior society, and settled down to read a book with the remark "I don't care." She slept, and in a vision, a review of our children in the foreign and home fields passed before her, each reproaching her for her thoughtless remark. She awoke, properly converted and hastened to the society. The little playlet was well given and taught its lesson.

Miss Mary J. Campbell, Field Secretary, spoke briefly of her experiences. She attended on invitation, an interchurch Conference at Buffalo, N. Y., after which she had many opportunities to address societies. A very full program proved too much for her strength, and she was obliged to rest for a month. Miss Campbell has served in the foreign field since 1884. She was the first to be sent out, supported by a home presbyterial. This presbyterial was Monmouth.

The time having passed for adjournment, the remainder of the program was omitted and the session adjourned after prayer by Mrs. J. P. White.

Jennie B. Wallace,
Secretary pro tem

SATURDAY EVENING
JUNE 19

Mrs. O. H. Milligan presiding

The evening session was opened by a processional of Thank Offering Bearers representing each Presbyterial in America and our two fields in Egypt and India. These occupied reserved seats in the central block of the auditorium.

After an anthem by the choir, Mrs. O. H. Milligan, Thank Offering Secretary, introduced Mrs. Ray Shear of Frenchburg, Ky., who offered the invocation. After singing Mrs. Milligan led the convention in the responsive service as printed in the program. A duet "The Lord is My Light" was followed by the offering.

The pageant, "The Gospel Torch" was given by the young women of Monmouth. This pageant was written by Mrs. O. H. Milligan, Secretary of the Thank Offering Department. Bible selections portraying the creation of light, the presentation of Jesus as the Light of the World were followed by Evangel who narrated briefly the story of the life and death

of Christ and the giving of the Great Commission. The pageant was developed along the line of the responsibility of the United Presbyterian Church. Evangel carried a candle which lit in turn candles borne by the Women's Missionary Society, the Young Women's Missionary Society and the Juniors. A succession of characters introduced the various fields occupied by the United Presbyterian Church; each in its turn testified to the new life that had been given to them. A group of black-clad sisters entered pleading for the light and this called forth the various means by which our organization may be enlightened as to the needs and methods of work in our fields. The entire program was interspersed with music from a hidden choir. The pageant was an effective presentation of the call to the church.

The Thank Offering Bearers then presented their offerings each one announcing the sum from her own Presbyterial. The total amount was $161,550.05.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell offered the consecration prayer after which the congregation sang Bible Songs 217 and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. R. Linsenmayer.

The meeting stood adjourned until Sabbath afternoon.

SABBATH AFTERNOON JUNE 20TH

Memorial Service, Mrs. John P. White, presiding.

The prelude was followed by silent prayer and while the large congregation sat with bowed heads, Mrs. White read selected verses from Revelation, Chapters 4, 5 and 14 and offered prayer. Reverently the congregation sang

"On the good and faithful
God hath set his love
When they call He sends them
Blessings from above.
Stand in awe and sin not
Bid your heart be still;
Through the silent watches
Think upon his will.

The Honor Roll contains the following names of those of our official workers who have been taken from us during the past year: Mrs. George Moore, Mrs. S. G. Hart, Mrs. T. J. Finney, Miss Helen J. Ferrier and Mrs. J. Howard Maxwell.

Mrs. Clarence Finney offered a prayer after which Mrs. J. D. Sands paid a loving tribute to Mrs. J. Howard Maxwell. She spoke of Mrs. Maxwell as a faithful servant who joyed in the house of God and found her satisfaction in service.

She was devoted in her work on the Women's Board. She was exact and prompt in her work, a woman of sound judgment, very sympathetic and one who practiced prayer. She became a member of the Board in 1916. She was Secretary of the Parsonage Department and loved her work. But above all she rejoiced that she was a mother of a Missionary. Her son "Joe" was summoned back to his work in Sudan and his mother bade him a cheerful goodbye although certain that they would not meet again in this world. After hearing of the death of his mother he cabled back "The Eternal God is Thy refuge and underneath are the everlasting arms." After the death of Mrs. Maxwell a letter was found in which she wrote that she

never forgot the day of the Women's Board meeting and spent much time in prayer for its work.

Mrs. White, a personal friend of Mrs. S. G. Hart, spoke briefly of having known her in Egypt and of seeing her great consecration to her work. She was a missionary's wife, without special assigned duty, but took upon herself many tasks for the young people of Egypt. She brought about the training of Bible Women, seeing the great field open to them. She trained groups of girls for service. She was essentially a woman who did whatsoever her hand found to do.

To Mrs. H. C. Campbell was assigned the task of paying tribute to Miss Helen Ferrier and Mrs. Thomas Finney. Of Miss Ferrier she said that in 1900 she offered herself to Egypt and came home in 1924 on her last furlough. Her health declined steadily but her faith was triumphant. It is said that while at the Moody Institute, Chicago, she met a friend, and suggested to her that some day she should go to Egypt as a foreign missionary. Since Helen Ferrier's death this girl has decided to go in compliance with the request that Miss Ferrier made.

Miss Nannie McClenahan (afterward Mrs. Thomas Finney) served as Missionary 44 years in Egypt. She and her husband spent 15 years in Monsourah, leaving it well equipped for work. They were then transferred to Alexandria. After Dr. Finney's death Mrs. Finney was appointed missionary under the Women's Board and stationed in Cairo. Later she had charge of a Home where the new missionaries remain for a year to study the language. As House Mother in this home she served a wonderful purpose. She made a real home for the young missionaries and home-sick girls received comfort and encouragement. Failing health compelled her to relinquish her work. As the end drew near the missionaries assembled from far and near and when she was laid away the scene was one of great grief on the part of natives and missionaries alike.

To Mrs. White was given the task of paying tribute to Mrs. George Moore, Editor of the Women's Missionary Magazine for twenty-one years. She said that an outstanding trait of Mrs. Moore was the universality of her interests and her affection for all peoples of all nations, color and race. She gave her life to the magazine that readers might know, and knowing, do all they could to extend the salvation of Christ to the World. She believed in progress, enlargement and growth. After having published the magazine for awhile she talked the W. G. M. S. into a magazine of larger size. Her enthusiasm never flagged; her interest never ceased. A friendship once made was never allowed to languish. To honor the memory of Mrs. Moore a memorial fund has been planned of $10,000.00. The income from this fund will be applied to the printing of pictures in the Magazine, for Mrs. Moore had a sincere conviction that an unstinted use of pictures served a large purpose in presenting missionary facts to the readers of the magazine. $5000.00 has already been received and it is expected that in the next year the remaining $5000.00 will be contributed. Each picture will be inscribed "Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund."

The congregation then sang these lines from Psalm 103:

"The tender love the Father Hath
For all His children dear
Such love the Lord bestows on them
Who worship him in fear."

The congregation sat silently in meditation while the organ sounded softly the music for the second and third verses. The voices then took up the lines:

"Unchanging is the love of God
From age to age the same
Displayed to all who do His will
And reverence His name."

Communion Service

The choir opened the service by rendering the anthem "Seek Ye the Lord" (Roberts). Dr. McMichael then read the "Word of Institution" from I Cor., 11th chapter after which Rev. Linsenmayer of the First Church Monmouth, led in prayer. Mr. Robert Work sang effectively "Peace Be Unto You." Dr. McMichael then spoke impressively on the words "Moses turned aside." Coming from a shepherd's task he faced for a little while his God; so the women have done; they have turned aside to see a great sight. Jesus had prepared this sight for his followers: Do this in remembrance of me.

Moses was struck by the permanence of the burning bush. So this bush that the Master has planted along our pathway is a permanent sight. Nations, customs, governments have gone but this sacrament persists. Those who have gone before us in the catacombs and hills of Scotland all ate of "this bread of life." In 1752, John Culbertson, the old Covenanter, gathered 250 of his fellows in the rude forests of Pennsylvania and tables were built at which the sacrament was served. There rang out the triumphant word:

"Though the hills be removed
We will not be afraid."

So we assemble here to see again this great sight encompassed by the great crowd of witnesses from the past; we feel that link by link this sacrament is preserved from age to age, until Jesus comes; the bush will flame and burn until He comes again.

Moses heard the voice of God out of that bush. It was the trysting place where God and Moses met. This service is a trysting place where God and His children may meet. Not in a carnal but in a spiritual manner. We have the promise that God will speak to our hearts out of the bush.

Moses was told to approach with reverence. "So let a man examine himself." Because we lack the reverence, the meditativeness, the quiet heart of these saints of old, we may miss the voice of God.

The communion prayer was offered and the sacrament observed. Dr. McMichael in his final word said that Moses came to the bush and left it a new man with new responsibilities laid upon him. Wherever God's people gather about this bush, they go away with a new vision, a new determination, a new desire to be loyal to our Master.

Dr. A. A. Graham called attention to the fact that Jesus took the simple homely things of life and used them to commemorate his own life and death.

The prayer of thanksgiving was

followed by singing the 23rd Psalm. Dr. Graham pronounced the benediction.

Foreign Mission Night
Mrs. H. C. Campbell presiding

The missionary processional introduced the annual foreign mission night service. The quartette sang "I will Lift Up my Eyes Unto the Hills."

The devotional service was under the leadership of Mrs. E. L. Porter, of India. A few moments of silent prayer followed by audible petitions preceded the scripture reading by Mrs. John Petrie of Egypt. This was from the 91st Psalm. A lovely soprano and alto duet was sung with the word setting "Search me and know my Heart, Try Me and Know My Thoughts." Mrs. Howard Buchanan of Egypt, and later of Sudan, offered prayer. The first speaker of the evening was introduced as the Dean of Missionaries, Dr. Maria White of India. She depicted the conditions of the women in India and the indignities that they suffer. The dark picture was lightened somewhat by narratives of girls who had been rescued and had become Christians, educated as teachers and trained as nurses. These are now doing splendid work in our schools and hospitals. Dr. White mentioned especially the wives of the self-support pastors. She called them "The heroines of India," for they have cast themselves and their children upon the altar for the sake of India's need of Christ.

Miss Margaret Bell of Egypt spoke briefly on the topic "What women may do for Egypt." She showed from experience that prayer in Egypt in behalf of a girl who longed for an education was answered by women in America who provided the money. Another case was that of a gift of money to be applied for teaching the blind when no teacher could be found. Earnest prayer was offered for a teacher.

A crippled girl who was finishing her work in one of our Mission High Schools, was willing to take the training necessary and to devote her life to work for the blind. She could do this, as her pupils would have no distrust of her. (The "evil eye" is supposed to have been the cause of all physical deformities).

Miss Bell made an earnest plea that our women pray and work that the women of Egypt may have their chance to know Christ.

Mrs. George Vincent of Pittsburgh, sang a fitting number, "Come ye blessed of my Father inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation in the world."

Mrs. H. B. Gephart discussed the topic "What Women may do for the Sudan." She said that the work in Sudan has increased so fast that the number of workers is inadequate. There should be reinforcements at once. Medical help, industrial workers, teachers, are sadly needed in northern Sudan and Doleib Hill. Mrs. Gephart gently chided our women at home because the missionaries are asked questions that have been fully answered in letters from the field that appear in the Missionary Magazine. She urged that the women at home study more, plan more, pray more, and so accomplish more for the work entrusted to them.

Miss Lulu Buchanan at Mrs. Campbell's request represented Abyssinia

in the absence of Mrs. Fred Russell. She described graphically a trip to Sayo that she, her mother, and her sister took. She gave vivid word pictures of our schools, hospital and homes in Sayo, showing their simple construction and lack of equipment. By way of compensations, however, the missionaries talk of their fine climate, scenery, fertile soil, absence of tropical diseases, cleanly folk, optimism, the rapid growth of their schools, and their own joy in service.

The offering for the evening was taken. After singing Bible Songs 240 Dr. A. A. Graham offered prayer and pronounced the benediction.

MONDAY MORNING
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The convention was opened by singing the convention song.

Seated on the platform was a group of missionaries. Morning worship was under the leadership of Mrs. M. M. Carleton, who spent forty years as a missionary in India having gone out 57 years ago. The convention rose as Mrs. Carleton took her place before it. After prayer one verse from Bible Songs 192 was sung. The leader then referred to the one Supreme Object of Adoration in our Universe, whose name is Holy. Throughout the eternal aeons a ceaseless anthem of praise has ascended to the Omnipotent Architect who poised in space his systems of worlds and heard, well pleased the music of the spheres.

Truly all his works praise him, and have praised him since the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy. One note was lacking. There was as yet no manifestation of love. God is love. This note could not be supplied until the shout of victory "it is finished" uttered by the incarnate God ascended from the Cross on Calvary.

God claims adoration from all his intelligent creatures—"they shall show forth thy praise." Why should I praise God? It is written "In everything, give thanks." Let us trust where we can not see, and praise where we can not understand. "If thou shalt seek the Lord thy God, thou shalt find him, if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul." "Oh, that men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men."

After singing number 305, Mrs. Jones called to the platform Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. Jennie Logue Campbell, Mrs. Mary Porter Kyle, and Mrs. R. A. Elliott. Then all past presidents who were in the audience were summoned to join them. Ten came to the platform.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell was introduced as President of the W. G. M. S. in 1885, and gave many interesting facts concerning the early days of our organization. Especially interesting was the effort to secure a Women's Board, the plan meeting with opposition from both men and women.

Mrs. Jennie Logue Campbell, President in 1886, humorously detailed her disregard of parliamentary law in order to get the business of the meeting done. She was hindered by one woman who read a paper half an hour in length on Woman's Rights. Mrs. Campbell closed with a quotation from the 72nd Psalm:

"His name shall endure forever, His name shall be continued as long as the sun."

Mrs. Mary Porter Kyle, President in 1899, said that she presided with but limited actual knowledge of the work. She labored over parliamentary rules, referring in humorous vein to her fear of one of the Women's Board who was a splendid parliamentarian. Her fear vanished when this member became her valued helper. Other anecdotes followed, witty and serious. Mrs. Kyle spoke appreciatively of the associations that the W. G. M. S. had given her and of opportunities that were afforded at later dates. She showed the convention a copy of the New Castle program a sparse little sheet of eight pages and the Missionary Magazine containing a report of the convention. She contrasted these with the full program of this convention and the voluminous report of July, 1925.

Mrs. R. A. Elliott President in 1917 gave reminiscences of the W. G. M. S. under the heading of "Milestones." She told of the expansion of the work as various departments were added and new responsibilities were taken on. She said that at the meeting in 1886, there were three who are present at this meeting: Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. Geo. Sands, and Mrs. J. D. Sands. As this meeting was held in Mrs. Elliott's home church, she was an usher, and received her first impressions of the W. G. M. S. at that time.

The minutes covering the meetings of Saturday and Sabbath were read and approved. The report of the Parsonage Secretary was read by Mrs. J. D. Sands. The reading of the Auditor's affidavit preceded the report.

Items from the Parsonage Report

Eight new regular loans and two additional loans have been made during the year amounting to $26,892.61. Seven congregations have made final payments. Twenty-two states are beneficiaries of the Parsonage Fund, as well as Assuit, Egypt.

Mrs. Sands, Acting Parsonage Secretary, paid tribute to Mrs. Howard Maxwell, who had been the faithful and efficient Secretary of this Department for several years. This report was adopted.

The report of the Temperance and Reform Department was the next order of business and was read by the Secretary, Mrs. W. P. Weigering. She had a presentation by the children bearing upon the 18th amendment: A brisk argument between two girls as to the enforcement of this law was strengthened by a group of children coming in double quick march time up the aisle bearing large mottoes which they read. The convention led by the children saluted the Stars and Stripes and the Church Flag.

Gleanings from the Temperance and Reform Report

This Department has prosecuted its work by distributing literature; it has continued its plan of securing pledges from the Juniors; societies have been asked to hold meetings each month in behalf of the movements represented by the Department; it keeps in close touch with the Women's Law Enforcement Conference, having sent two representa-

tives to the Conference held in Washington, D. C.

Money was sent to Egypt to provide literature, and a cart load is ready for distribution among the Egyptians. $250.00 was sent to India for a similar purpose.

Attention was called to Tuesday as the Day of Prayer for our women, and missionaries have been asked to send requests for prayer to any of the 70 groups now meeting at stated times. During the past year Kate Hill has written three times to these groups. This report was adopted.

Miss Jennie Wallace read the report on the Indian work.

A Few Words from the Indians

Special mention was made of the death of Tullux Holliquilla at the Seekseequa Mission, Oregon. He has been a consistent Christian and an elder in our Church, for more than 50 years. He is a loss to our work. The missionaries have planned evangelistic meetings for Warm Springs and Simnasho, Ore. Two Nex Perces evangelists will be with them. The Junior Society at Tama, Iowa, has 58 in attendance. This report was adopted.

Mrs. William S. Cook, Secretary of the Home Department read her Annual Report.

News from the Home Department

Workers have been supported in seven fields including three Italian missions on the Atlantic seaboard, and one on the Pacific Coast. East Mansfield, Ohio, has paid its running expenses, except the salary of the missionary. Missionaries who give their time to one presbyterial have been supported by the following presbyterials: Oklahoma, Colorado, Puget Sound, and Los Angeles. These presbyterials have been much benefited by this plan. The worker went from one part of the presbyterial to another, giving such an amount of time as best served the need. Nine new members have been added to the deaf-mute organization in Portland, Oregon. Over $750.00 has been pledged for the new church building. Ezel has received 21 new members during the year on profession. Contributions have totaled $749. This mission is operating the only reading room and library in the county and books are much needed. Frenchburg has enrolled 264 students during the year, of whom 61 are in high school. A new church building is to be erected this summer. This report was adopted.

A change in the program omitted the Quiet Hour. The following protest has been made:

I hereby solemnly protest against the omission of the Quiet Hour of the morning session of June 21 thinking that it would be better to omit a report rather than omit our devotional service to our Heavenly Father.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell.

The report of the Freedmen's Department was read by Mrs. W. P. Wiegering, in the absence of the Secretary Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson.

Items from the Freedmen's Dept.

Our Board has become responsible for all the work at Camden and Prairie, Alabama. Emphasis is being put as usual on the industrial side of the work. New equipment is being put in sewing rooms and domestic science departments. Both boys and girls are taking advantage of these,

and the advanced girls are making their own clothes and those of the entire family.

There are five nurses in training at Jubilee Hospital and four at Robinson Memorial, Miller's Ferry. The dormitories report the families nearly 100 percent Christian. This report was adopted.

Mrs. George Sands, Representative from the Women's Association, read the Annual Report from that organization. She reviewed the history of the various activities under its control, showing that in each one—Orphan's Home, Columbia Hospital, Home for the Aged—the aim is not only to give material comforts but to meet the spiritual needs of all within its care.

The children are carefully and lovingly cared for; they are sent to day school and kept in Sabbath School regularly. Every effort is made to rear them wisely, that they may be able to make real contributions to the world's betterment. The Hospital, in addition to its usual forms of service, fills a real need in caring for returned missionaries who may require its ministrations.

Eighteen states are represented in the home for the Aged. The members of the home family have regular religious service provided and their social and religious interests are safe guarded. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper is arranged for, and a Thank offering is taken. When one applies for admission to the home in addition to the admission fee, the applicant turns over his property to the Association. 4% is paid on this until the owner has passed on, when it becomes the property of the Association. The session adjourned until 1:30.

MONDAY AFTERNOON
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Miss Florence Jones, India, led the devotional service. After singing Bible songs No. 232 the leader offered prayer and read verses from Acts 9—the conversion of Saul. She called special attention to Saul's prayer, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do." He had been sincere in his antagonisms, and was equally sincere in his affiliations with the followers of Christ after his conversion. Paul needed only to know what the Lord wanted him to do, and then did it with all his might. The leader urged the women to emulate the spirit of Paul in these particulars.

Mrs. A. N. Porter asked the courtesy of giving to the delegates a message from the Los Angeles Presbyterial. The chair granted this, and Mrs. Porter read a brief statement of the plans of the newly organized Women's Association of the West.

Mrs. B. F. Murchie discussed program Building. She urged that much care be exercised in the choice of a Program Committee. She gave some qualities of a good leader for a meeting. Some of these were: never take sides; allow no one to monopolize the time; do not talk too much. Mrs. Murchie compared a good missionary program to a well balanced menu and in detail showed how each feature of the program should be prepared and fitted into its place She said that the society should use its talent; it should find a place for applying hobbies. Great care should be exercised in the selection of devotional leaders and a large proportion of the program hour

should be given to the devotional period. A bright humorous skit given by seven young people went to show that the Women's Missionary Magazine contains nearly all that a well informed woman need to know. The report of the Foreign Secretary followed. For 40 minutes Mrs. H. C. Campbell presented a resume of the last year's work. The following items are but a few of the many given.

Our Responsibilities in our Foreign Department

India

Seventy Missionaries and Fifty-five Bible women.

Maintenance of 37 hospitals, dispensaries, bungalows, Girls' Boarding Schools, Girls' Day Schools, etc.

Estimates for coming year $98,688.00

Egypt

Fifty-five missionaries and sixty-five Bible women.

Maintenance of 19 hospitals, hospital residences, Girls' boarding school, Girls' day schools, dispensaries and clinics, rest home, community centers, etc.

Estimates for coming year $85,497.00

Sudan

Twelve missionaries and two Bible women.

Maintenance of Bible women's house, Girls' barding and day school, "William Little" Girls' day school, support of three trained nurses.

Estimates for coming year $27,505.00

Abyssinia

Eight missionaries.

Maintenance of George Memorial Hospital and two Missionary residences.

Estimates for coming year $15,726.00

This report was enthusiastically adopted.

Mrs. J. B. Hill in beautiful words of appreciation, presented Mrs. H. C. Campbell with a purse—a gift from the Board, as a recognition of her 40 years of service in the W. G. M. S.

Mrs. J. P. White, Editor of the Magazine made a telling appeal for new subscriptions. Little girls costumed in magazine covers distributed pencils and collected subscriptions.

A delightful object lesson showing the necessity of beginning in babyhood if we would produce an enthusiastic, intelligent missionary member was given by a group of workers from Monmouth.

On motion, it was ordered that the program be not extended beyond 4:30 and at that time the Quiet Hour should be held.

Missionary Study Outlined and Presentation of Methods was the subject of Miss Anna Milligan's address. She introduced her topic by expressing regret that there is so much ignorance on missionary subjects particularly among young people and the men. She regards it as most important that our men should be committed to the missionary cause as our women are. She believes the ideal plan by which this could be accomplished is to have a study group about a table and make it a definite business to acquire accurate information on missionary topics.

Her plan for the text book, The Moslem World, consisted of a brief suggestion by which the gist of each chapter might be found. In chapter 1 she would ask the women what the author says is most sacred or the most interesting place, etc. She would deal in superlatives. In chap-

ter 2 she would have the women pick out single interesting subjects: e. g. child marriage, amulets and charms.

The Ever-Ready Assignment suggested by Miss Milligan is this:

A fact worth remembering.
A person worth knowing.
A story worth telling.
An appropriate scripture.
Two prayer needs.

Thus the speaker sketched rapidly her method of handling a mission study text book.

The hour was a profitable and helpful one.

Mrs. Jennie Logue Campbell conducted the Quiet Hour. She referred to the thought of a former Quiet Hour and emphasized the importance of peace that each heart should possess. The key word of the present hour is overcome. While it seems to suggest struggle rather than peace it is quite as necessary. The enemy to be overcome is every form of sin both in our own hearts and in others. It seems just now that the great enemy to be overcome is intellectual unbelief. There is no way to overcome this but by coming close to Christ in prayer and in the Word. It is necessary to begin in the home and surround our children with literature of the right kind including lives of missionaries. After singing Bible Songs 106 the Convention offered together the Lord's Prayer and stood adjourned until 7:30.

MONDAY EVENING
JUNE 21

Home Mission Night

Mrs. William S. Cook, presiding.

Miss Ella Montgomery of Mansfield Ohio, led evening devotions. The opening prayer was followed by Bible Songs 233. The Scripture lesson was taken from Psalms 121 and 46. The leader said that in these days we are learning much of the outlook. Her desire at this moment is to direct our thought to the uplook. Jacob was worried at the outlook when he saw his brother Esau approaching; but the uplook that he had that night reassured him.

It is the uplook of life that gives us encouragement to go forward. Quiet waiting is sometimes trying, but to wait quietly for God is to insure the accomplishment of twice as much as would be possible in a short time. Miss Warnock closed the service in prayer.

A chorus of girls sang the 100th Psalm.

Rev. R. H. Barr, Missionary to the Indians at Warm Spring, Oregon, addressed the Convention on "How to Help the Indian." He reported conversions and reprofessions of 29 or 30 at recent evangelistic meetings in which two evangelists from the Nez Perces assisted. The missionary feels even with this encouragement the Indians are not advancing religiously or educationally as they should. Treaties and promises have been broken; various methods of dealing with the Indian have been tried and failed. The best solution is to have the Indian absorbed in our body politic. He must be trained and taught to depend upon himself. The Government employes are many and poorly paid. It would be better to have a few picked men properly paid, who will supervise the Indians wisely. The awe and fear with which the fake "medicine man" is regarded

militate against the Indian. His generosity keeps him poor; every event of importance in the home means feasting and giving. Houses have been stripped of their furnishings at such times. The hope for the Indian is in Christianity. If he can be compelled to do for himself and be kept under Christian influences he will progress.

Mrs. Grace Gawthrope Peterson sang a vocal solo.

Mrs. J. W. E. Wade of Prairie, Alabama, addressed the convention on the topic "What the Mission Schools have done for the Community." She used Prairie Institute as a sample of the product of mission work in the south. She said that the training at Prairie had made the people conscientious in the discharge of their obligations to the church. The school is good. Its students in many cases go on to normal school, the industrial side of the work is emphasized. Agricultural training has had a great influence on the tributary farms. Scientific farming is gaining ground and a desire to find out what is best for the locality has led the farmers to seek advice at the State Experiment Station.

Prairie, though poor in this world's goods, has made wonderful gain because of the mission supervision that the church has given. What is said of Prairie may be said of all stations that have had the privilege of such supervision.

The Girls' Chorus appeared again and sang "Oh Taste and See How Gracious the Lord Is." The girls were received enthusiastically.

Rev. H. Ray Shear of Frenchburg, Ky., represented the work among our mountain people. His specific subject was "Our Work in the Cumberland Knobs." He quoted from Isaiah the words "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of Him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace." He applied this quotation to the coming of the W. G. M. S. to the mountain people. These mountain people are our own kin; the names on the stones in the graveyards of Kentucky mountains are the same names as in our own northern cemeteries. Our churches in Frenchburg and Ezel are thoroughly organized and give liberally to our own denomination. A hospital erected in honor of Dr. Mitchell and a fine brick school building, modern in all particulars, offering a complete four year high school course, are proofs that "beautiful feet" have been carrying physical as well as spiritual blessings to Frenchburg. Vocational work is receiving much attention; the shop is the source of great rejoicing, the boys have learned to make chicken coops, brooders, etc. The girls are learning to sew, cook and manage the domestic tasks. The farm is now under the direction of a consecrated agriculturist, who has increased the productivity of the soil, set out orchards, made gardens, keeps a herd of cows, supplies milk, fresh meat and fresh vegetables for the dormitories. The surplus is sold in the little village.

The clothes contributed by our women last year have been not only gladly received by the women of our community but they have proven a source of income to the mission. Al-

though trifling sums are asked for this clothing the sale of all articles last year brought more than $2000.00 into the work.

Rev. and Mrs. McBride, pioneer missionaries to the Indians at Warm Springs Mission were introduced to the convention. Miss Margaret McDill, who went to Knoxville in 1884 was also presented to the delegates. Mrs. Glenn Shaver played two lovely harp solos after which Rev. Frank Caughey pronounced the benediction and the convention adjourned until 9 A. M. Tuesday.

TUESDAY MORNING
JUNE 22

The convention was opened by singing the Convention Song. Morning worship was led by Miss Dora Mason of Egypt. Bible songs numbers 12 and 281 were sung. Miss Mason read her Scripture Lesson from Colossians I, and presented the thought of the "Pre-eminence of God." This chapter contains the encouragement needed to understand the motto of the convention: "He hath set the world in their heart." God has given us all this responsibility, and will give us adequate strength that Christ may have preeminence; that he may be lifted up before our households, neighbors, and communities. This will make our work in Egypt and India simple and the results certain.

A season of prayer followed in which special petitions were made for Miss Ruth Work that her health may be restored so that she can return to her field.

A telegram of greetings was read from Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson containing a reference to Isaiah 41:10.

On motion messages of love and sympathy were sent to Mrs. M. L. McClenahan Monmouth, the mother of Drs. W. L. and R. S. McClenahan of Egypt, Rev. J. W. McClenahan of the Eighth Church, Chicago, and Prof. Frank McClenahan of Monmouth, Illinois.

To Mrs. Jennie McClenahan, Monmouth, mother of Dr. Neal D. and Dr. Frank McClenahan, both of Egypt.

To Mrs. Margaret Thompson of Monmouth.

To Miss Hannah Beale, who is convalescing from illness contracted in India.

The Secretary was directed to send a letter of sympathy to Dr. Elbert McCreery and the other members of the family of Rev. W. H. McCreery who recently perished by fire while enroute to Estes Park.

The minutes of Tuesday were read and after being corrected, approved.

The Committee on Resolutions presented its report as follows:

Report of the Resolution Committee Women's General Missionary Society, June 22, 1926

Whereas, by the loving care of the Heavenly Father we have been brought together in this beautiful city of Monmouth for our forty-third Annual Convention of W. G. M. S., be it resolved,

First, that we give thanks and praise to God for his protection and blessings upon us, as we journeyed from the East, the West, the North, and the South, remembering that twenty-five years have passed since the W. G. M. S. met in convention at Monmouth. We thank Him for the growth and expansion of our work in

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all its departments during these years.

Second, that we thank Him for the consecrated service and leadership of the Women's Board and for answered prayer and guidance during the forty years of their organization.

We rejoice in the goodness of God in sparing through these many years of service our beloved Mrs. H. C. Campbell, who is the only remaining charter member of this organization.

Third, we thank Him for the presence of so many of our missionaries, whose courage and devotion are a constant inspiration to us and a challenge to deeper consecration and to fuller service on our part.

Fourth, we are truly grateful for the privilege of gathering around the Lord's table with representatives from every Presbyterial in the W. G. M. S. with one exception.

Fifth, we continue to urge more prayer for and a deeper interest in the 18th Amendment; also more careful Sabbath observance and more diligent study of the Bible.

Sixth, we wish to express our true appreciation of the faithful and efficient services of the officers of this convention; also, of the untiring efforts of our new Magazine Committee.

Seventh, we extend our thanks to Monmouth Presbyterial, the churches of Monmouth, and to Monmouth College, that has so graciously opened her doors to us.

To the local committee who have so thoughtfully cared for our comfort and entertainment, and to the women, young people, Juniors, singers, and to any others who have contributed to the success of the convention we extend our heartfelt thanks.

Eighth, we do appreciate the large and varied exhibit of the Juniors of the W. G. M. S. and extend our thanks to the committee who so carefully arranged and handled the display.

Ninth, that deeply realizing the broken ranks of the workers of the W. G. M. S., as we adjourn, let us pray for increased membership, more consecrated lives and for a deeper spirit of prayer, remembering our motto: "He hath set the world in their hearts."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Clarence E. M. Finney, Chairman.

Mrs. R. J. Hudelson

Mrs. T. J. Hays

Mrs. C. G. Mann.

The report of the Committee on Resolution was adopted as a whole.

The Committee on Memorials reported as follows: A memorial has been received from a congregation in Pawnee Presbyterial but as it had not been presented by the Presbyterial the Memorials Committee recommends that it be given to our Women's Board for consideration and final action, and that the Board communicate with Pawnee Presbyterial concerning it.

Signed, Mrs. Schermerhorn, Chairman.

Mrs. J. S. Pollock,

Mrs. J. A. Aikin.

On motion the report of the Memorials Committee was adopted.

The Committee on Place reported an invitation from Kansas City Presbyterial to meet in Pittsburg, Kansas, in 1927. Two life members from Pittsburg were presented to the Convention and added words of hospitality to the written invitation. The con-

vention accepted this invitation with enthusiasm and applause.

The final report of the Credential Committee was presented and adopted by the delegates, as follows:

Number of Officers present	5
Number of Delegates present	142
Foreign Missionaries	25
Home Missionaries	11
Freedmen Delegates	2
Indian Delegates	1
Field Secretaries	1
Magazine Committee	2
Life Directors	7
Life Members	161
Women's Association	6
Women's Board	12
Actual number of voters enrolled	310
Number of Presbyterials in Am...	57
Number of Presbyterials, Foreign	7

The Committee on Nominations read its report. It was adopted. The roll of voting members was called by the Secretary in accordance with the report of the Credential Committee.

The annual election took place and the ballots were referred to the tellers.

Mrs. J. P. White took a moment to report the "Magazine Shower." Three hundred and seventy-five new subscriptions to the Magazine were received.

The Committee on Recommendations read its report which was adopted as a whole.

Recommendations

Your Committee would respectfully submit the following report:

First: That congregational missionary societies have the books of their treasurers audited by capable people at the end of the Church year.

Second: That our missionary societies be more interested and persistent in organizing Junior societies and wherever at all practicable holding the boys and girls in the junior organizatian until the age limit of 14 years is reached.

Third: That the members of our missionary societes be on their guard and more than ever alert to detect, and not to give approval or assent in any way to the false teachings, false religions and isms of the day, that come to us as wolves in sheep's clothing and like the canker worm are eating into the heart of the faith of so many.

Fourth: That more be made of the Quiet Hour in our convention seeking to bring about more of the spirit of prayer. As an aid to this, we suggest to those planning the program, that if the hour closes the business session, a way of relaxation or rest be enjoyed just before, so that we will not come to this hour tired in body and mind.

Fifth: That time be given delegates during the convention for conferences with the general secretaries of the various departments of the work of the W. G. M. S.

Sixth: That we send our greetings to the United Presbyterian Women's Association of the West and assure them of our interest and prayers.

Seventh: In appreciation of the faithful and efficient work of the members of the Women's Board we recommend that local societies respond promptly with exact and replete reports and heartily co-operate with requests that come from the Board.

Mrs. A. N. Porter, Chairman.
Mrs. T. R. Aikin.
Mrs. W. R. Comin.
Miss Burd Cochrane.
Mrs. S. W. Wilson.

At the request of one of the delegates the President asked all mothers of missionaries in the audience to stand. It was found there were eight. A second request brought out the fact that a large majority of the delegates present were attending the W. G. M. S. for the first time.

The hour having arrived for the Quiet Hour, Mrs. Jennie Logue Campbell took charge of the service. Mrs. McBride led in prayer and was followed by others. Mrs. Campbell continued her theme of the last Quiet Hour by saying that another enemy to be overcome is discouragement. She quoted Dwight L. Moody as saying that God could not use a discouraged Christian. There is no need for any person who feels that God's work is not being done, or that any effort made in His name will fail. Not so! Our missionaries especially, need feel no anxiety as to the outcome of their prayers and sacrifices. God foresees victory. We must all take the attitude of conquerors. Therefore, for the sake of your own individual work, as well as the large enterprises the Church has undertaken, put aside discouragement.

Songs of victory closed the hour; Bible Songs 194 and 152.

The meeting was adjourned until 1:30.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON
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The Convention Song was used as the opening feature of the program. The devotional service of the hour was led by Miss Lois Buchanan of India. After singing No. 179 she read a Scripture Lesson from Isaiah 58. The verses read forbid mere "formal" seeking after God; an "earnest purpose" must lie behind our seeking Him. A heart desire to know Him and follow Him requires a breaking away from the things that hinder or discourage others. Then, "Thy light shall break forth as the morning," and "They that shall be of Thee shall build the old waste places."

Prayer closed the service.

A few minutes were given to hearing "Voices from our Field." Among these brief messages were a description of a convention in India; an offering of two roosters, carried to the meeting under the arms of the giver; a story of itinerating in India; a song in Arabic by the missionaries; the statement that Mohammedan girls think they are Christians if they just say the name of Christ.

The next number on the afternoon program was a missionary play "The King of Rama Krishniah" (Stewardship) that was given by Monmouth workers. It told the story of selfish retrenchment at home, rebuked and overcome by the sacrifice of a native convert in India.

Mrs. J. D. Sands, President of the Board of Directors, presented a silver cup to the Presbyterial that had made the largest total percentage of increase in membership during the past year. The winning Presbyterial was Concordia, and the cup was received by the delegate from that Presbyterial and suitably acknowledged.

The report of the tellers was made as follows: President, Miss Lulu Buchanan, Monmouth; First Vice President, Mrs. J. H. Hutchman, Kansas City; Second Vice President, Mrs. Edith Morton, Puget Sound; Secretary, Miss Lillian Robertson, Spokane.

Directors—Mrs. J. D. Sands, Mrs. J. B. Hill, Mrs. O. H. Milligan, Mrs. W. R. McMunn, Mrs. Joseph M. Heagan.

Magazine Committee—Mrs. J. P. White, Mrs. Fannie F. Moore.

This report was adopted and the newly elected officers introduced to the Convention.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell took the floor and reviewed the events connected with the proposed union between the United Presbyterian Church and the Southern Presbyterian. She believes that such a union would in all probability react unfavorably upon the organized work of our women. She then offered the following resolution which was adopted unanimously:

Monmouth, Illinois, June 22, 1926
Resolution

Resolved: That the President and Secretary of the forty-third Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, meeting in Monmouth, Illinois, be instructed to prepare and sign officially a memorial to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of the year 1927, respectfully imploring it to take no action of any kind which would be likely to jeopardize or minimize the important corporate work of the women of the United Presbyterian Church which has been so wonderfully blessed by our Heavenly Father.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell.

The convention then gave itself to prayer under the leadership of Mrs. Campbell.

The time for the final Quiet Hour had arrived and Mrs. Jennie Logue Campbell again took direction of this Hour of Meditation.

The delegates sang "Lead Me to the Rock," and Mrs. Campbell interpreted the last verse of the 90th Psalm.

"Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: And establish Thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it."

She said that the beauty of the Lord our God, means "character." "Establish Thou the work of our hands upon us" means "service." We are to go out from this convention to live like Christ; this is "beauty." Only close contact with Christ will give us this beauty. Our characters all have imperfections but they may become beautiful to the world.

We are minded to go out from this convention to work better for the Master but our clumsy efforts, our failures, will all be understood by Him and our service will be accepted. We can all "live" for Him, and "glorify" Him by our "living." These three "knows" are for us: "I know whom I have believed"; "We know that all things work together for good to them that love Him." "We know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle be dissolved, we have a house not made with hands," waiting for each of us.

The afternoon session adjourned until 7:30.

TUESDAY EVENING
JUNE 22

"The Penitent" was sung by Mr. Earle Davis as the first number of the evening program. Miss Mary Campbell of India conducted evening worship. Verses from Psalm 22 were

sung, the leader offered prayer, and told the story of the Transfiguration as narrated in Matt. 17. For a little while she said the three disciples were permitted to see their glorified Lord. Impulsive Peter wanted to honor the three great persons in that scene: Moses, the Lawgiver, revered throughout the world today; Elijah, the Great Prophet, honored alike by Mohammedan, Jew and Christian; but a bright cloud over-shadowed them and but one figure remained, "Jesus only."

The leader said that this meeting has brought us varied interests: persons, speeches, statistics, have crowded the days. Tonight we may turn our gaze from these diverting things, and fix our eyes upon Jesus. To centralize our lives in Jesus will have its effect upon India for the Indians are looking this way and that way wondering if they are to return to Buddha, Mohammed, Krishna, "or accept Jesus." Bishop Stanley Jones says that there will soon be a "mass movement of the mind of India." May the Church find its center once more in Jesus!

The singing of No. 154 concluded the service.

The quartette sang beautifully "The Great Commission" as found in Matt. 28.

Mrs. McMichael expressed the satisfaction of the citizens and the churches of Monmouth, in entertaining this Convention. She then introduced Mrs. Edith Morton, the speaker of the evening, describing her as one whose "price is above rubies." Mrs. Morton recited verses from John 14, saying that these were preparatory to the giving of the Great Commission. She made a telling comparison between great displays of power, and the quiet influences that may bring about revolutions. Christ is sometimes known as "The Man of the Quiet Eyes." A convention means added strength for the work that lies ahead. We are not to go out from this convention as proud conquerors, but to go out free from worry, fear, or fretting, to accomplish quietly the end to be wrought. We fail oft times because we forget to live in peace and quietude, and serenity, in the presence of our Lord. We attempt our work without remembering Christ's way—"the way of the Spirit."

When Christ walks and talks with us we see the world through His eyes, we use His methods. The history of Christianity is filled with mistaken efforts to "compel acceptance of certain creeds" and "forms." If the Church today will forget all but the Christ Himself and find in Him Friend and Counselor we shall be victors indeed.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell invited to the platform 6 missionaries who have served 30 years in the foreign fields. Mrs. E. L. Porter was asked to join them and was presented with a pin that is given to all missionaries with 30 years of service, by Mrs. Campbell. She referred to those who have received these pins as members of the "Order of the Decoration."

After introductory words based on the need of consecration the Convention was asked to sing the 90th Psalm. The Foreign and Home Missionaries came to the platform, 35 in number. The Foreign Secretary

spoke earnestly to the delegates, making it clear that the Lord expects no more of the missionaries than of all of us in our various places. Our obligations are just as imperative as the obligations that the missionaries assume.

She then addressed the missionaries on the platform using a chain of verses from the Word containing instruction, warning, encouragement, and promise.

Psalm 149 was sung as a perfect expression of our present situation.

Rev. J. F. Jamieson, D.D., offered prayer, pronounced the benediction and the 43rd Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society was adjourned to meet in Pittsburg, Kansas, in 1927.

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THE DELEGATE'S REPORT

THE Convention is over. We are all home again busy with the daily household tasks. Our minds are filled with happy memories of all our pleasant experiences. And we have been talking to the home folks and neighbors, almost incessantly, about people and things.

One of these days the report must be given to our societies. How shall we tell in thirty minutes the wonderful happenings of those five days?

Would it be amiss to make a few suggestions about the report? Sometimes a returned delegate uses up most of her time, going into detail in telling of the trip, the convention city and the various features of the entertainment. With meticulous care she gives the number of every song and its exact place in the program and yet fails to get the real meaning and message of the meeting to her hearers.

The 1926 Convention will have value to the Church at large just in proportion to the ability of the delegate to convey the heart of the report to the home constituency.

We would not fail to mention many of the people, the gracious President and her able helpers, the goodly company of missionaries from the different fields and the Board Secretaries. There was Mrs. Carleton, who as Eliza Calhoun went to India fifty-seven years ago. Dr. Maria White, with forty years of service for India was referred to, as the "Dean of Missionaries," though Miss Mary J. Campbell, younger in years has spent forty-two years in India. There were three dearly beloved women bearing the name Campbell: Miss Mary J. Campbell, Mrs. H. C. Campbell and Mrs. Jennie Logue Campbell all veterans in service.

The motto, "For he hath set the world in their hearts," gripped the convention. From the time that Mrs. Jones gave her excellent address Friday evening until the Consecration meeting, Tuesday evening, we heard it over and over.

This then, we found was the secret of the devoted service of Christians

through all the centuries. This was the underlying reason that led all our consecrated workers to surrender their lives to the Master.

We want to tell of progress; how year by year our work has developed; how our Thank-Offering has increased; how our funds have multiplied; how schools and hospitals have sprung up; how our missionary force has grown at home and abroad and above all how God's blessing has rested upon us.

It is no small work that the women of the United Presbyterian Church are doing. Through all these years this work has never been handicapped by debt.

How much we need to emphasize the importance of renewed faithfulness on the part of every member, in order that we may continue to go forward.

There were suggestions made from time to time, in addition to those officially recorded. Perhaps some of these might be tabulated as follows:

1. Every missionary society should seek to enlist the interest of every woman in the congregation.
2. Every missionary society should look carefully after the Juniors.
3. Every Missionary society should make a thorough study of the new mission study books.
4. Every member of the missionary society should possess and use a Thank-Offering box.
5. Every member of the missionary society should possess and use a Prayer Cycle.
6. Every woman in the Church should be a subscriber to the Women's Missionary Magazine.

Now if every delegate can create enough interest among her hearers to lead them to read the Annual Report from cover to cover; if she can convey the warmth and enthusiasm of the meetings; if she can radiate the spiritual impressions, then through the increased knowledge and deeper interest in world evangelization, it may be said of the women of the United Presbyterian Church, that as a result of the 1926 Convention "He hath set the world in their hearts."

—Editor

Word has been received of the death of Rev. James A. Speer, D. D. Dr. Speer was for ten years a missionary to the Indians, first at Wapinitia, Oregon; later, from 1896 till 1901, at the Warm Spring Mission. Afterwards he had the oversight of Indian missions in Oregon until, a few years ago, failing health obliged curtailment of his labors. His frequent letters to the Women's Board during those years showed a warm personal interest, born doubtless of his previous active connection with the work.

The Indians have lost a true friend and the Church a valued counsellor.

The July edition of the *Women's Missionary Magazine*, because of its size is expensive and therefore limited in number.

Orders for new subscriptions received after the Magazine was printed and subscriptions received at Monmouth will be filled until the supply is exhausted. Those received later will begin with the August number.

Please remember that subscriptions should be sent before the 10th of the month.

REPORT OF

RECORDING SECRETARY

"THE grass withereth, the flower fadeth." As I sat down to begin my report, these tender words of the prophet Isaiah came into my mind, nor was it strange that they should. I was thinking of one who for long months had been fading, fading, and who a few days previously had been transplanted by the Master to bloom afresh in the fields of heaven. Mrs. Maxwell, for six years our parsonage secretary was gone.

From this latest bereavement my thoughts turned to other losses. From the force of workers at home and abroad, death or illness has laid aside this one and that who, it had seemed, could not be spared. And again came the words, "The grass withereth, the flower fadeth;—*but*" —ah, the wonderful conclusion—"the word of our God shall stand forever." Yes, His word shall stand, and His work shall go on till the time when "All nations shall call Him blessed."

Your Board of Directors presents its annual report, thankful for God's blessing during the year upon its efforts and upon the labors of the great Society which it represents. Again as at other times it wishes to express its appreciation of the loyal cooperation of presbyterial and local societies, and of the faithfulness with which, by prayer as well as by work, they have upheld every undertaking.

Membership in prayer groups and daily use of the prayer cycle stimulate acquaintance with the work of the Church and definite prayer for it. The Tuesday prayer-meeting held weekly in the Publication Building, Pittsburgh is twice a month, an inspiring preface to the meeting of the Board.

The twenty-two regular and two special meetings of the Board have been faithfully attended, no member being absent without the best of reasons.

In the report of the recording secretary from year to year there is inevitably a good deal of monotony. Certain things occur practically every year; for example, the Board's contacts with other organizations. The annual appearance of two delegates before that august body, the General Assembly, while undertaken naturally with some trepidation, always proves most pleasant and undoubtedly increases interest in the work of the Women's General Missionary Society. As many of the Board as possible participated in the Pre-Conference meeting at New Wilmington with members of the Foreign Board and missionaries on furlough. Two were delegated to remain throughout the conference, one, as is always the case, being the foreign secretary. A representative was sent also to the Muskingum conference.

Two members of the Board served on the New World Movement Central Committee and one is a member of the General Council of the Church. In the deputational work by which the Assembly's Boards for several years have been, as it is so aptly expressed, "cultivating" the whole area of the Church, synod by synod, members of the Women's Board have

taken an active, sometimes almost strenuous part. They have appreciated the opportunity of cooperating with the other boards and of forming pleasant friendships in the congregations. Early in the year a visit of inspection was made by the Home Secretary and another, to the mission stations at Frenchburg and Ezel, Kentucky.

Delegates have been sent as usual to the annual meetings of the Council of Women for Home Missions, the Foreign Missions Council and the Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Mission. Delegates went also to an important inter-organization World Court Conference at Erie and while there had an opportunity of meeting the women of Erie and nearby congregations. In February several members of the Board went to Philadelphia, to attend a great convocation where outstanding representatives of five Presbyterian and Reformed Churches spent several days in earnest discussion of foreign mission problems.

Later, in response to an urgent request from the National Committee of Women for Law Enforcement, two delegates were sent to its meeting in Washington, one being among the witnesses before a part of the Senate judiciary committee during its hearings on the subject of prohibition.

New plans will be outlined by others: the taking over of the entire work at Camden and Prairie, Alabama, the memorial to Mrs. George Moore, the offering of special recognition for increase in membership in young women's missionary societies; the bonding of all secretaries having to do with finances.

A pleasant indication of the general interest in the work has been the request of the editors of *The United Presbyterian* for occasional "Women's Board Notes," in line with items furnished by the other boards.

In the annual reorganization of the Board last June the following were elected: President, Mrs. J. D. Sands; First Vice President and Thank-Offering Secretary, Mrs. O. H. Milligan; Second Vice President, Temperance and Reform and Railroad Secretary, Mrs. W. P. Wiegering; Treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Hill; Recording Secretary, Miss Jennie B. Wallace; Foreign Secretary, Mrs. H. C. Campbell; Home Secretary, Mrs. Wm. S. Cook; Freedmen's Secretary, Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson; Indian Secretary, Mrs. John S. Crawford; Literature Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Milligan; Parsonage Secretary, Mrs. J. Howard Maxwell; Statistical Secretary and Secretary of Finance, Mrs. D. J. Brown; Young Women's Secretary, Miss Ida B. Little; Junior Secretary, Mrs. W. R. McMunn; Editor and Business Manager of Junior Missionary Magazine, Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen.

Mrs. Maxwell, as was intimated at the beginning of this report, was ill during the entire year and for months before, laid aside bv illness, which was patiently and heroically endured. and was at last called home on April 15th, 1926. Her department in the meantime was efficiently cared for by the president, who had formerly held the position of parsonage secretary.

The Board has suffered another loss in the resignation of Mrs. Crawford at the peremptory command of

her physician, a resignation which was accepted with great regret.

The Women's General Missionary Society has thus been deprived of two loyal and devoted workers and the Board of their counsel and companionship.

Earnest and continued prayer was offered for guidance in the choice of their successors, whose names we now have the privilege of announcing: Mrs. R. E. English of Grove City, Pa. and Mrs. Harriet Boobyer of Mt. Lebanon, Pittsburgh.

The terms of service of the following expire with this meeting: Mrs. J. D. Sands, Mrs. J. B. Hill, Mrs. O. H. Milligan, Mrs. W. R. McMunn, Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen.

Respectfully submitted
JENNIE B. WALLACE
Recording Secretary

REPORT OF

STATISTICAL SECRETARY

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1926

ONCE again, we come to a time when we examine ourselves to see just how we stand from many viewpoints and to compare our standing this year with previous years and also to give us impetus for new resolutions for the coming year.

A Secretary of one of our western Presbyterials said she loved statistics. She said "According to Paul's belief, comparing ourselves with other people may "not be the most Christian-like thing to do, but it at least inspires us to do better." However, our comparison of ourselves with ourselves of previous years does not make us very proud of ourselves. Especially is this true of the Women's societies; we do not seem to gain, but we are happy to say we are at least holding our own with a possible leaning in the direction of gain.

Nine new Women's societies were organized, or transferred from the Young Women's societies to the Women's societies, but eighteen disbanded or merged with other societies, so that we report 843 Women's societies nine less than last year, but even with this decrease, we report 25,659 members, 78 more than last year, so you see some societies are active.

This disbanding of societies is due in many cases to disorganizing of congregations. Thirteen congregations have become disorganized during the year.

To this active membership we must add the enrollment of our shutins, the members of the Extension Department which is 757, so that the actual membership of our Women's societies is 26,416.

The Young Women report 459 societies with a membership of 10,872 and the Juniors report 493 societies with a membership of 11,422, a total of 1795 societies and an active membership of 47,953: one society and 568 members less than last year. This decrease is caused by a falling off of the Juniors where there are 710 less than last year. This is a

deplorable condition in face of the fact that Junior work must be given up in many congregations because of lack of leaders who must come from older societies.

Another regrettable fact is, when the Juniors graduate from the Junior societies they cease to become members of the W. G. M. S., but they enter the Intermediate Department of the Young People's organization and we feel they have had a good foundation and are entering a very helpful organization.

We feel we have been able to get a more accurate report of our work this year than usual, and we are proud to say we have reports from more societies than ever before. Of our 843 Women's societies, 24 sent no reports.

We look forward to the time when every society will have sent in its report on time.

There are about 90 congregations which have no missionary organizations and approximately two-thirds of our women are not enrolled as members of any missionary organization. Is this statement not appalling in this age of missionary activity?

The largest society in the Women's division is Mt. Lebanon in Monongahela Presbyterial with 240 members; the smallest is Cuylerville in Caledonia with one member. This one member had two companions last year but one was called to her Heavenly Home, the other one moved to a distant city; undaunted she retains her place in the missionary work and devotes most of her energies toward the upbuilding of the Junior Society.

There are a number of societies with only five members and some of these could put some of the larger societies to shame in devotion to the work and especially in giving. The contributions of a number of them average eight to ten dollars per member per year.

In our youngest Home Mission field Ezel, we have a very active missionary society with twenty members interested in all the departments of the work.

Thirty-two societies report having Extension Departments for their shut-in ones. This Department keeps those unable to attend the regular meetings in touch with the work of the societies.

Two hundred twenty-eight societies reported on Standard of Efficiency, eight reporting 100%. They are Grand Avenue, Cedar Rapids, Cedar Rapids Presbyterial; Pigeon Creek, Chartiers Presbyterial; First Los Angeles, Los Angeles Presbyterial; Mt. Lebanon, Monongahela Presbyterial; First Everett and First Seattle, Puget Sound Presbyterial; Second Spokane, Spokane Presbyterial and Corsicana, Texas Presbyterial. Twenty-two other women's societies reported between 90% and 95%: They are Albany, Albany Presbyterial; Highland, Beaver Valley Presbyterial; Big Spring, Big Spring Presbyterial; Alice Dodds and Grove City, King's Daughters, Butler Presbyterial; Claysville, Chartiers Presbyterial; Somerville, Indiana Presbyterial; Vandergrift, Kiskiminetas Presbyterial; Occidental, Pasadena and Riverside, Los Angeles Presbyterial; Crafton, Monongahela Presbyterial; First New Concord,

Muskingum Presbyterial; College Corner, First Ohio Presbyterial; Tulsa, Oklahoma Presbyterial; Lincoln, Pawnee Presbyterial; Cedar Creek, Rock Island Presbyterial; East Craftsbury, Vermont Presbyterial; Eighth Chicago, Chicago Presbyterial; and West Allis, Wisconsin Presbyterial.

Wisconsin again takes the lead in every society reporting on the Standard of Efficiency.

On account of the disbanding of societies some of our Presbyterials have lost their places on the Honor Roll. There are now just eighteen on this coveted place. They are Albany, Argyle, Arkansas Valley, Beaver Valley, Cedar Rapids, Chicago, Colorado, Hudson, Idaho, Indiana, Northern Indiana, Los Angeles, Monongahela, Oklahoma, Omaha, Spokane, Uncompahgre and Wisconsin.

Our sisters in the Far East, Egypt and India are showing increased interest in the work of the women. They report 132 societies with 4508 members and the sum of money contributed to their work there, including Thank-Offering, amounted to over $6,000.00 in our money. Think of that from women who are just being taught to give and who have so little from which to give!

There are two funds which do not pass through our General Treasurer's hands. The amounts, however, are reported in our Statistical Report.

One is Congregational work in Home Mission Churches, the other is District Work. In the former, we report $6,400, and $4,511 in the latter given by the Women's societies, and including amounts given by Young Women and Junior societies, a total to both objects of $13,336.

Twelve hundred eighty boxes or barrels were sent to worthy objects by the Women's societies, three hundred seventy by the Young Women and three hundred forty by the Juniors, a total of 1990.

We regret that with this report we record for the last time Garnett Presbyterial. At the close of this Church year it becomes a part of Kansas City Presbyterial. Our best wishes go with these two Presbyterials which will be known as Kansas City Presbyterial. Sidney Presbyterial has taken on a new name, that of Ohio Northwestern.

At a meeting of the Board held October 20, 1925, it was decided to offer a silver cup to the Presbyterial reporting the largest total precentage increase in membership, this cup to be held for one year or until it is won by another Presbyterial. This did not give very much time for the contest this year but we gladly report that of the fifty-eight Presbyterials, thirty-two reported increases. Two Presbyterials were almost a tie for first place, Concordia Presbyterial winning over Texas with just thirty-five one hundredths of one per cent. This cup is to be held by the winning Presbyterial so long as it continues to hold first place.

What has been stated is of the past. What of the future? What will be our resolves for the coming year and years? Are we going to be satisfied with our past record or shall we endeavor to grow.

We, as women, have a great work

to do. Let us resolve to take more interest ourselves and endeavor to get the disinterested women interested. These are our responsibilities —will we shirk them or will we put our tasks across? Your officers cannot do it alone, everyone must do her share. Will you do yours?

GENERAL STATISTICAL STATEMENT

Year Ending April 30, 1926

AMERICA

	1925	1926
Number Presbyteries	58	58
Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	58	58
Number Women's Missionary Societies	852	843
Number Members Women's Missionary Societies	25,581	25,659
Number Young Women's Missionary Societies	454	459
Number Members Young Women's Missionary Societies	10,808	10,872
Number Junior Missionary Societies	490	493
Number Members Junior Missionary Societies	12,132	11,422
Total Number of Societies	1,796	1,795
Total Number of Members	48,521	47,953

INDIA

Number Presbyteries	6	6
Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	4	4
Number Women's Missionary Societies	39	45
Number Members Women's Missionary Societies	907	973
Number Young Women's Missionary Societies	1	1
Number Members Young Women's Missionary Societies	70	65
Number Junior Missionary Societies	27	29
Number Members Junior Missionary Societies	626	733
Total Number of Societies	67	75
Total Number of Members	1,604	1,771

EGYPT

Number Presbyteries	5	5
Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	4	4
Number Women's Missionary Societies	27	34
Number Members Women's Missionary Societies	653	724
Number Young Women's Missionary Societies	6	6
Number Members Young Women's Missionary Societies	577	577
Number Junior Missionary Societies	17	17
Number Members Junior Missionary Societies	1,436	1,436
Total Number of Societies	50	57
Total Number of Members	2,666	2,737

GRAND TOTAL

Total Number Presbyteries	69	69
Total Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	66	66
Total Number Societies	1,913	1,927
Total Number Members	52,791	52,461

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. D. J. Brown, Statistical Secretary

REPORT OF

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 30, 1926

THE report from this Department shows the receipts and disbursements relative to the Administrative expenses of the Board.

The funds for this Department are derived from interes t on bank deposits, contingent funds from Presbyterials, interest on loans to congregations, New World Movement, sale of Thank-Offering supplies and offerings at Conventions.

It will be noted that the printing is, as usual, the largest item of expense. The July number of the Magazine is the largest expenditure in the printing. It is in this number that all the annual reports are given, which necessarily adds a lot to the size of the Magazine, so that the Board assumes all the additional cost of this number over the regular price per month. Also the printing of Thank-Offering Leaflets is a large item, but this cost is as nothing when compared with the amounts that are brought into the Treasury through the Thank-Offering.

The report is as follows:

Balance on hand May 1, 1925		$1610.06
Receipts		
By		
Contingent Fund from Presbyterials	$1611.80	
Interest from Mrs. J. B. Hill, General Treasurer	9721.84	
New World Movement	1500.00	
Payments on Loans to Congregations	2366.73	
Interest on Loans to Congregations	583.51	
Sale of Thank-Offering Supplies	316.00	
1924 Convention Offering	274.06	
Refunds on account of Travel	93.23	
Cash, from Telephone Calls	10.70	
Donation	.06	$16477.98
		$18087.99
Disbursements		
To		
General Treasurer, Payments on Loans to Congregations	$2366.73	
Rent of Offices	1248.00	
Salaries of Clerks in Offices	4310.00	
General Office Expense	657.60	
Rent of Safe Deposit Boxes	37.00	
Fidelity Bonds for Treasurer and Secretaries	165.42	
Travel Expenses of 14 Board Members and 3 Convention Officers to Boston Convention	1255.00	
Railroad Certificates	43.00	
Expenses of Representatives General Assembly	250.00	
Expenses of Representatives to Conferences	168.85	

Taxes on Plot of Land received by Bequest	18.37		
Auditor	225.00		
Field Secretaries	95.60		
Junior Mite Boxes	35.00		
Life Membership Certificates	145.00		
Envelopes and Postage on Life Membership Certificates	125.00		
Thank-Offering Boxes and Mailing Tubes	364.57		
Janitor Service, Convention Church	15.00		
Boston Convention Expense	72.76		
Junior Exhibit Expense	24.59	$11622.49	
Printing:—			
Thank-Offering Leaflets	$ 492.58		
Thank-Offering Pageants	78.00		
Thank-Offering Praise Service	195.00		
Thank-Offering Blanks and Envelopes	263.25		
Statistical Blanks and Reports	642.18		
July Number of Women's Missionary Magazine	2550.25		
Treasurer's Annual Report	25.25		
Reports for General Assembly	87.78		
Vouchers and Ledger Sheets for Treasurer	57.00		
Treasurer's Receipt Books	22.75		
Convention Programs	54.49		
Questionnaires for Convention	14.50		
Parsonage Application Blanks	23.50		
Psalm Memory Leaflets	6.75		
Prayer Group Letters	5.00		
Board Stationery	319.79	$ 4838.07	$16460.56
Balance on Hand April 30, 1926			$ 1627.43

STATEMENT OF LOAN AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

Congregation	May 1, 1925 Balance	Payments on Loan	Interest	May 1, 1926 Balance
Brockton, Mass. U. P. Ch.	$ 1425.00		$ 71.25	$ 1425.00
1st U. P. Church, Grinnell, Ia.	1510.00	$1510.00	56.63	
12th U. P. Ch., N. S., Pgh., Pa.	2260.00		75.00	2260.00
U. P. Ch. Indiana Harbor, Ind.	2100.00		157.50	2100.00
Rev. W. P. McGarey, D. D.	500.00	500.00	15.00	
P. C. Banfield	704.68			704.68
U. P. Ch., Patterson, N. J.	6000.00			6000.00
1st U. P. Church. Arkansas City	2000.00	206.73		1793.27
Highland Park, Boise, Idaho	1500.00		70.00	1500.00
4th U. P. Ch. Akron, O	6500.00			6500.00
1st U. P. Ch. Colorado Springs Col.	1500.00		90.00	1500.00
McClellan Heights U. P. Church Davenport, Ia.	1000.00	150.00	48.13	850.00
Total	$26999.68	$2366.73	$583.51	$24632.95

RECEIPTS FROM PRESBYTERIALS

Albany	$ 9.95	Muskingum	52.00
Allegheny	130.00	New York	2.60
Argyle	10.50	First Ohio	30.20
Arkansas Valley	22.10	Oklahoma	10.00
Beaver Valley	76.00	Omaha	15.20
Big Spring	10.00	Oregon	17.00
Boston	16.25	Pawnee..	14.70
Butler	62.00	Philadelphia	51.60
Caledonia	25.00	Puget Sound	14.00
Cedar Rapids	19.00	Rock Island	19.55
Chartiers	73.70	San Francisco	18.80
Chicago	28.45	Sidney	14.80
Cleveland	55.00	Spokane	11.00
College Springs	92.55	Steubenville	30.00
Colorado	28.00	Tennessee	3.70
Concordia	2.00	Texas	7.75
Conemaugh	28.10	Uncompahgre	2.00
Delaware	26.75	Vermont	
Des Moines	23.00	Westmoreland	35.90
Detroit	12.00	Wheeling	32.00
Frankfort	4.25	Wisconsin	9.00
Garnett	9.05	Xenia	20.00
Hudson	7.00		
Idaho	4.00	Total	$1611.80
Southern Illinois	34.45		
Indiana	17.30		
Northern Indiana	9.35		
Kansas City	18.25		
Keokuk	21.00		
Kiskiminetas	31.75		
Lake	32.70		
Los Angeles	34.20		
Mansfield	16.35		
Mercer	20.00		
Monmouth	20.00		
Monongahela	175.00		

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. D. J. Brown,
Financial Secretary

Having carefully examined the records for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1926, I find them carefully and accurately kept and hereby certify that above statement is correct and true.

A. F. Sawhill
Auditor

REPORT OF

LITERATURE SECRETARY

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 30, 1926

FOR the twelfth time we bring to the General Convention of the W. G. M. S. a report of the activities and achievenments of the Literature Department of the Women's Board.

The Literature Department is an important department of our work in that it touches all lines of missionary endeavor at home and abroad, and in that it is a center from which missionary societies may obtain printed material for the enlargement of missionary knowledge, for the carrying out of yearly programs and

Mission Study classes, and for the deepening and enrichment of the prayer life of the missionary society and of the individual member.

PRESBYTERIAL LITERATURE SECRETARIES

Forty-five presbyterial Literature Secretaries are reported this year, a gain of four since our last report; and from letters received from secretaries during the year asking for suggestions, we know that many are anxious to make this department worth while in the presbyterial activities. But only 30 secretaries asked for material for a presbyterial display of literature. This is a falling off of 15 since our last report.

May we repeat the request made to the delegates at our last Convention that they go back to their presbyterials and insist on the appointment of a Presbyterial Literature Secretary where there is not one, and insist on a literature table at the next presbyterial meeting. These meetings afford the Literature Secretary her best opportunity for making known the resources of the Literature Department, because here she comes in touch with all the societies of the presbyterial. Here she has an opportunity of speaking face to face with representative women from the local societies and of showing to them the material available for the coming year's programs and study courses.

May the Presbyterial Literature Secretaries take up with enthusiasm this essential part of the Master's work and resolve to advance the cause of missions by patiently, persistently and prayerfully carrying on the work of distributing missionary literature; by encouraging the formation of groups for the study of missions; and by seeking to enlist societies and individuals in the organization of prayer groups and the regular use of the Prayer Cycle in the devotional service of the society and in the private prayer life of its members.

MISSION STUDY

We are able to report a distinct gain, during the year, in the distribution of Home Mission text-books. One hundred seventy-two Women's Missionary Societies reported classes in the Denominational Home Mission study book, "The United Presbyterian Church and Its Work in America." The Literature Department sold 1940 copies of this book. This marks our largest sale of Home Mission study books, indicating, we believe, a wide interest in the history of our own Church and its missionary achievements in the home land. We are assured by many who made the study that they have been well repaid for the time spent and that they received much pleasure and great good from the study. We are sure all have been repaid in the more accurate knowledge they have obtained of our Church and its Home Mission activities.

We recommend that those who have not used "The United Presbyterian Church and its Work in America" as a Home Mission text-book do so before taking up any other Home Mission study.

The title of the new Home Mission text-book is "Our Templed Hills." The author of the book is Ralph A. Felton of Cornell University. It is a study of the Church and rural life,

showing the relation of the Church to the many important developments in the rural situation to-day.

There are two sets of "Suggestion to Leaders" issued in connection with "Our Templed Hills." One is prepared for "Country Church Groups" and the other for "City and Town Church Groups." In ordering, please be careful to indicate which help is desired. The teacher of a class might well find it helpful to use both in her preparation for class leadership.

The theme for Foreign study courses is the Moslem World. The text-book that has been specially prepared for women's and young women's missionary groups is written by Dr. and Mrs. S. M. Zwemer of our mission in Egypt. The title is "Moslem Women."

Dr. Zwemer is an acknowledged authority on all Moslem subjects and he and Mrs. Zwemer have brought to the preparation of this work the fruit of their many years of missionary service in Moslem lands. As usual, there is a "How to Use" for class leaders.

The children of the Church also had the privilege, during the year, of studying the Home Mission history of the United Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Elsie Wehling Fulton, the author of "The UP Trail," our Foreign Mission text-book for Juniors, wrote "The Uplift," a Home Mission text-book. It was written with the purpose in view of providing a text-book suitable for placing in the hands of the children themselves, and not simply as a book for Junior leaders.

We are disappointed that only 437 copies of "The Uplift" were sold and only 134 of the "How to Use."

We hope that Junior societies that have not used "The Uplift" will do so this year and that leaders will endeavor to place this short history of the United Presbyterian Church in as many homes as possible where there are children of Junior age.

The "Better American" series for Junior Home Mission courses will be used again this year. It consists of three books which may be used in any desired order.

The subject of the Junior Foreign Mission text-book is "Two Young Arabs," and is written by Mrs. S. M. Zwemer. It is a story of two young Moslems who are on a tour to visit Moslem shrines and find their way at last to Jerusalem and Nazareth and are there brought into contact with Christian influence.

This book is adapted for boys and girls from eight to fifteen and it is hoped that the study of "Two Young Arabs" may so enlist their interest that many may decide to prepare themselves to carry the message of Jesus to other young Moslems.

LEAFLET LITERATURE

In each of the four countries where the United Presbyterian Church has established Foreign Mission work, our workers come in contact with the Moslem problem. As our theme for mission study is the Moslem world, we have prepared a group of six leaflets on this theme to be used in connection with the study. Four of these leaflets are biographical and are stories of converts from Islam in our own mission fields. The other two illustrate the

influence of the Christian school and the Christian home in a Moslem environment. These will be specially interesting to us as they are true illustrations of the results of the work of our own missionaries among Moslems.

Other leaflets published during the year are, "Our Work Among the Aliens," "The Beginnings of the Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot," "Karm Bibi," and "Daulate's Victory," a Junior Special pageant.

PRAYER CYCLE

This year marks the largest distribution of the Prayer Cycle since it was first published in 1915, 6438 having been distributed.

6000 copies of the 1926 Prayer Cycle were printed in December. In order to be able to fill our orders we found it necessary to print 1000 more copies in March, and in May we had to order 500 more so that we might have some for sale at this Convention and at the summer conferences.

What is the Prayer Cycle? It is a booklet, published yearly by the Women's Board, containing the names of all our Home and Foreign missionaries, the stations in which they work and the nature of the work in which they are engaged, with topics for prayer for each day of the month. It enables us to pray unitedly and definitely, at least once each month, for each individual missionary of our Church. We become interested in those for whom we pray and prayer establishes a link between the one who prays, the missionary on the field, and Him Who hears and answers the prayer.

The increase in the distribution of the Prayer Cycle is greatly encouraging. But think of the many who do not avail themselves of this aid in definite prayer for our work and workers. The Psalmist prayed, "Open Thou mine eyes that I may see wondrous things." Shall we not pray for an open vision to see, not only the missionary but the great need of those among whom he works; not only the teacher but those whom he is teaching; not only the doctor but the sick and needy about him; "helping together by prayer," for prayer does help to supply strength and courage to carry on in the needy places.

Last year we asked you to take for your slogan, "Every member has one." Will you not continue this slogan till many more societies will be able to say "Every member has one?"

It is desirable that the Prayer Cycle be used in the regular Church service, the weekly prayer meeting, at every missionary meeting, daily in every United Presbyterian home, and individually in one's own private prayer life.

FINANCIAL

The following statistics represent the operations of the Literature Department for the year ending April 30, 1926:—

STATISTICAL STATEMENT

New Supplies

Our Publications:—	
Contribution Envelopes	100,000
Leaflets	15,800
Prayer Cycles	7,500
Post Cards	1,200
The Uplift	1,500
How to Use "The Uplift"	500
"The Uplift" Class Tickets	5,000
Junior Diplomas	1,000
Wall Roll	300

Other Sources:—

Books	2,063
Helps for Class Leaders	636
Leaflets	3,958
Maps	26

Supplies Distributed

Senior:—

Mission Study Books	2,861
Helps for Class leaders	296
Contribution Envelopes	76,400
Budget Cards	6,600
Prayer Cycles	6,438
Maps	20
Leaflets	10,503
Free Leaflets	6,746
Post Cards	200
W. G. M. S. Pins	18

Junior:—

Mission Study Books	550
Helps for Class Leaders	464
Junior Manual	61
Recitation Books	77
Books for Juniors	217
Junior Pins	79
Diplomas	68
Wall Rolls	29
L. L. B. Cards	263
L. L. B. Invitations	217
Membership Cards	793

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For Year Ending April 30, 1926

Assets:—

Balance on Hand April 30, 1925	$ 702.42	
Receipts from Sales	3365.37	
Interest on Deposits	15.35	
Refunds	9.96	
Total Assets		$4093.10

Disbursements:—

Mission Study Books, Senior	$ 949.59	
Mission Study Books, Junior	34.35	
Helps for Class Leaders Senior,	28.84	
Helps for Class Leaders, Junior	8.47	
Junior Posters, Pictures & etc.	15.86	
Printing	1625.50	
Postage	266.99	
Leaflets	118.41	
Convention Expenses	37.73	
Maps	20.84	
Prayers for Little Children	8.01	
Half-tone Cuts	16.50	
Scrap-book	2.00	
Express	2.58	
Refunds	8.00	
Magazines to Mission Fields	102.50	
To Junior Magazine	100.00	
Total Disbursements		$3346.17
Balance on Hand April 30, 1926		$ 746.93

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Milligan,
Literature Secretary

"I have examined the foregoing account for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1926 and find it correct as stated above.

May 4, 1926 (Signed) A. F. Sawhill
Auditor

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed."

REPORT OF

YOUNG WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

A recent periodical relates the story of "Mind-the-Light-Katie," a young woman who "carried on" at the request of a dying husband. When the lighthouse keeper was being borne from his home on the rocks to the hospital where he died he said as a final injunction, "Mind the light, Katie!" And she did. For thirty-four years she kept the lamps trimmed and burning. She "carried on."

The Young Women's Society was organized that those fresh in life might take up the work already begun by their mothers and "carry on" so that no break might occur in the great task. It is interesting to know how well they have done thus far.

I. ORGANIZATION

The Young Women's Department is now two years past its majority, but not yet fully developed for many congregations and a few presbyterials have no missionary organization for their girls and young women. New York Presbyterial's one Young Women's Society has ceased to be missionary in spirit and motive so has been dropped from the roll. Garnett has again taken up the work and now fifty-four presbyterials have one or more Young Women's organizations.

Again we welcome new societies, twenty-nine in number. 1927 should receive a much larger number since the pennant contest begins at the close of this convention. May many girls and young women be actively enrolled this year as missionary workers and many congregations discover a way to hold their young women for the great business of the church.

Presbyterials reporting one new society are:—Argyle, Chicago, Kansas City, Monongahela, Muskingum, Ohio First, Oklahoma, Philadelphia, Rock Island, Spokane, Steubenville, and Xenia. Reporting two each:—Caledonia, Cedar Rapids, Cleveland, Garnett, Keokuk, Los Angeles, Westmoreland. Mansfield has three to its credit.

Several societies sending no report last year were, on correspondence, found to have disbanded or merged with other organizations. Altogether twenty-four have been stricken from the roll by disorganization and four by transfer or merging. Twenty societies are credited this year with no report, although two of these came in later, but the records were closed. The pennant contest challenges all societies to promptness. We now report 459 societies, a gain of five over last year.

II. MEMBERSHIP

The goal for membership suggested last year was 12,000. If the 2,374 young women named as possibilities had become realities, this mark would have been passed. Here again the pennant contest should arouse in every presbyterial the desire to be a winner. Our present membership is 10,872, a small gain over last year.

III. ATTENDANCE

It is possible to have many members and yet have a small society. One indication of missionary inter-

est and zeal is the attendance record. True, unavoidable circumstances enter in to deplete attendance at monthly meetings, but not a great many of those habitually absent are *necessarily* detained. About 43% attendance is the record for societies. Speed the day when we may report twice as good a record! Lack of foresight and forethought are contributing elements to this low record. Many, many societies report that one of their worst troubles is the indifference displayed by their members to spiritual values. This may explain in a large measure the absenteeism.

IV. BLANKS

There are presbyterials in this year 1926, that have neglectful societies or perhaps poor mail service for sixteen blanks came in having one or more vacant spaces. Reason? No report from certain societies. The pennant contest should help every society to do its best that it may not be a hindrance to the presbyterial. Let the executive board of the presbyterial lend a helping hand, especially to the weak society. (Presbyterials having non-report societies were, Beaver Valley, Boston, Butler, Concordia, Conemaugh, Delaware, Des Moines, Mansfield, Oklahoma, Philadelphia, Puget Sound, Rock Island, Ohio Northwestern, Tennessee and Wheeling).

V. COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

	1925	1926
Number of Young Women's Societies in		
America	454	459
Egypt	6	*6
India	1	1
Membership in		
America	10,808	10,872
Egypt	577	*577
India	70	65
Number new societies	28	29
Societies disbanded or removed from roll	20	24
Societies merged or transferred	7	4
Societies not reporting	32	20
New Senior Life Members	170	190
New Life Directors	1	1
Subscribers to Women's Missionary Magazine	1,906	1,894
Boxes or barrels sent	472	370
Societies reporting on Standard of Efficiency	80	84
Societies reporting a percentage of 100	4	4
Societies reporting 90 to 98 per cent	10	15
Societies contributing to the seven departments	135	159
Societies contributing to the Young Women's Special Fund	317	338
Societies contributing to the Thank-Offering	395	400
Societies contributing to Presbyterial Expense Fund	279	289
Societies contributing to W. G. M. S. Expense Fund	194	209
Societies contributing to Isaiah 41:6 Fund	196	226
Societies contributing to Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund		126

*Last year's figures.

VI. STANDARD OF EFFICIENCY

Some societies may think that the pennant contest will make unnecessary the effort towards the Standard of Efficiency, but a little study will show that the pennant is a *presbyterial* matter and the Standard of Efficiency is for the individual society. The one will uphold the other.

Eighty-four societies reported on the Standard. Four of these won 100%: Cuyahoga Falls, Cleveland Presbyterial, First Erie King's

Daughters, Lake Presbyterial; Moline Carol McMillan Circle, Rock Island Presbyterial, and First San Francisco, Frances Gibson Circle, San Francisco Presbyterial. Leechburg, Pa. 98%; Salem, N. Y. and Claysville M. C., Parnassus and Scottdale, Pa., 95% each; First Seattle Bamba M. C., 94%. 90% each—Buffalo, N. Y., Ontario St, Mackey Circle, Claysville Y. W., Vandergrift, Freeport and Apollo, Pa. Fourth Cleveland, East Palestine Y. W., South Youngstown Girls M. S., and St. Clairsville, O.

VII. MISSION STUDY CLASS

Here again the pennant contest should give an impetus to better work. The class is meant as a stimulator to the work of year. Only seventy-nine societies with 965 members reported affirmatively on this matter. If earnestly carried on, those taking advantage of the class will be more enthusiastic for missions than those who deny themselves this extra information. The much talked of *lack of interest in missions* would be expressed less often if the membership *knew more* about missions. *Knowledge comes* by *study*.

VIII. PRAYER CYCLE

There is surely small cause to be ignorant of the locations of our mission fields, stations and workers. For only ten cents, every member may have a Prayer Cycle *all her own*. 1,200 Cycles were purchased by our 10,000 and more young women. In most of fifty-four societies, the Cycle is used at every meeting. One hundred eighty societies came out with a "flat no" and the remaining two hundred were silent on the subject. With a means at hand to arouse real interest, no society should be dull and lifeless.

IX. EX-MEMBERS NOW MISSIONARIES

We like to follow up members who have gone into larger mission service and who are now in some mission field. The reports show 122 out on what we are pleased to call "the firing line." Twenty-five of these are stationed somewhere in the United States and the rest as follows:—Egypt 43, India 36, Abyssinia 9, Sudan 3, farther down in Africa 1, Central America 1, China 3 and South America 1. The days near ahead should see this number much augmented if as Christians we obey the divine command, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth laborers into His harvest."

X. COMPARATIVE FINDINGS

	1925	1926
Number Young Women reported as not enrolled in a society	2,302	2,374
Number Mission study classes	83	79
Number Members in Classes	1,192	965
Number Presbyterials reporting classes	29	33
Number Members seeking answers to Bible Questions	513	405
Number Readers of Young Women's Department	1,803	1,913
Average attendance at monthly meetings	4,732	4,702
Percentage of attendance	44	43
Number Former members now in missionary service	115	122
Number Present members who are volunteers	49	31
Number Presbyterials furnishing above missionaries	29	34
Number Prayer Cycles purchased	812	1,200
Number Societies answering "Yes" to use of Prayer Cycle	33	54
Number Societies giving a positive "No"		180

XI. YOUNG WOMEN'S SPECIAL

A larger response is coming yearly to the support of this fund. This year's special exceeds last year's by nearly three hundred fifty dollars, or a total of $8,328. 57. The *permanent* special is the support of the Pasrur Girls' Boarding School. Salaries are furnished for Mrs. Ruth Lobaugh Walker, Gorei, Abyssinia and for three workers in the home field:—Mrs. Eva Johnson Adams, R. N., Superintendent of Jubilee Hospital, Henderson, N. C., the matron of dormitory at Frenchburg and Miss Laura Sawhill, city missionary at Spokane, Washington. There being a balance of nearly five hundred dollars after the designated objects were met, the Board, at a recent meeting, voted to apply this balance towards the salary of Miss Mary Coie, Wadi Halfa, Sudan, The hope is that by another year the whole salary may be assumed. Perhaps in the near future something definite for Egypt and the American Indian may be undertaken and every field will then receive a share of this fund.

Honor roll presbyterials, those having contributed at the rate of $1.00 per member, are six:—Cleveland, Colorado, Chicago, Detroit, Idaho and Texas. Fifteen presbyterials were near the goal! Beaver Valley, Butler, Caledonia, Chartiers, Concordia, Conemaugh, Des Moines, Southern Illinois, Lake, Los Angeles, Muskingum, Philadelphia, Steubenville, Wisconsin, Xenia. The pennant contest should inspire every one of these to *cross the line* another year.

XII. REGULAR OBJECTS AND THANK-OFFERING

A few *over one-third* of the societies are *supporting* the *seven departments*. What about the remaining societies? The work already in hand, aside from salaries and special work fund, is financed through the seven departments. How necessary that every society accept its share of this burden! Texas is the only one 100% in this matter.

Twenty-two out of fifty-four presbyterials presented a Thank-Offering for every society and sixteen others failed by just one society.

The societies of Argyle, Southern Illinois, Indiana and Texas qualify as supporters of their respective presbyterials each society contributing towards the Presbyterial assessment.

Some of the larger sums contributed are:—

Foreign Missions	$6,756.00
Foreign Salaries	9,155.00
Home Missions	3,593.00
Indian Missions	1,224.00
Freedmen Missions	1,772.00
New World Movement	1,888.00

The seven departments received $15,430.00; including the Foreign Salaries account, a total of $24,585.-00, which is an average of about $2.35 per member. The total regular contributions were $38,169.57, or $1,200.00 in round numbers more than last year. The total Thank-Offering was $37,870.94, which includes 190 Life Memberships, 1 Life Directorship, 13 Junior Life Memberships and a contribution to the Junior Thank-Offering, or a little more than $1,850.00 of an increase over last year. The grand total is $76,040.51.

Not included in the total are the contributions to congregational purposes by Home Mission churches or $1,114 and $927 to District Work.

Pathankot, India, Young Women's Society gave a Thank-Offering of $5.46 and other offerings of $18.77.

No report can be made of Egypt's societies since the person reporting did not keep separate the work done by the young women and the juniors.

CONTRIBUTIONS

	1925	1926
Mrs. George Moore Memorial		$ 633.00
Foreign Missions	$ 5776.00	6756.00
Foreign Salaries	9853.00	9155.00
Home Missions	3755.00	3593.00
Indian Missions	1166.00	1224.00
Freedmen Missions	1885.00	1772.00
Parsonage	669.00	731.00
Ministerial Relief	733.00	828.00
Temperance and Reform	462.00	526.00
Young Women's Special (Treas. 'Acc't)	7987.00	8328.57
Junior Special		6.00
Presbyterial Expense Fund	1014.00	894.00
W. G. M. S. Expense Fund	349.00	399.00
Isa. 41:6 Fund	374.00	432.00
New World Movement	2036.00	1888.00
Orphans' Home	302.00	334.00
Columbia Hospital	339.00	405.00
Aged People's Home	228.00	265.00
Total	$36928.00	$38169.57
Thank-Offering	36036.24	37810.94
Junior Thank- Offering		60.00
	$72964.24	$76040.51

Not Included in Above Totals

By Societies in Home Mission congregations for congregational purposes	$6329.00	$1114.00
District Work	933.00	927.00
	$7262.00	$2041.00

Contributions by Young Women's Societies in Egypt included with Junior totals so cannot be reported.

Contribution by India's one Society

General Offerings	$18.77
Thank-Offerings	5.46
	$24.23

What of the future? Herewith is presented the goal for the new year, aside from what has already been urged in the way of improvement. The presbyterial pennant plan will be ratified with the adoption of the Young Women's report. The points are as follows:—

XIII. POINTS FOR THE Y. W. M. S. (PRESBYTERIAL) PENNANT

1. A Young Women's Society or a teen age circle in every congregation.
2. Annual report of each society in on time.
3. A Thank-Offering by every society.
4. A contribution to each of the seven departments by every society.
5. Every society a contributor to Young Women's Special Fund.
6. Average of $1.00 per member from presbyterial for Y. W. Special Fund.
7. Every society active for at least ten regular meetings during the year.
8. An annual rally at presbyterial or other suitable time, (or sectional rallies covering the presbyterial if distance forbid a central rally), each society to be represented at general rally by one or more delegates; or, in same proportion if rally be held in sections.
9. Each society to have a Mission Study Class during the year for a period of six to eight consecutive weeks. (Attendance on a congrega-

tional mission study class continuing for a like period will win the point if an average of one fourth of the membership be present each session).

10. One-half the membership readers of the Young Women's Department of the Women's Missionary Magazine.

A big job has been set for the women of Christendom. A large share of this is ours as members of the United Presbyterian Church. It remains for each one of us to accept our part of this responsibilty. Especially is there a call to the young women. Will they answer "Yes, we will mind the light and carry on?"

Respectfully submitted,

IDA B. LITTLE

REPORT OF

WOMENS MISSIONARY MAGAZINE

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 1, 1926

THE Womens Missionary Magazine entered its thirty-ninth year under the shadow of a great sorrow. Within eight days, both members of the Magazine Committee Mrs. George Moore and Miss Hazel Flagg were called from their labors.

Mrs. John P. White was elected editor, succeeding Mrs. George Moore and Mrs. Fannie F. Moore was elected treasurer, succeeding her sister, Miss Hazel Flagg.

At the close of the year, we wish to record our gratitude to God for His manifest leading and blessing. We desire also to extend our thanks to the many friends, who have been "helpers together by prayer;" to the co-editors and contributors, who have kept our pages filled with fresh and full tidings from the mission fields; to the Board secretaries, who have presented their work from month to month; to the Advisory Committee, whose counsel has been invaluable; to those who have used our pages for advertising and to the publishers and helpers at the office, who have patiently and kindly guided us in our new undertaking.

Since January 1926, *The Womens Missionary Magazine* has been issued the first of every month. The announcement of this, was hailed with joy by all our readers.

A memorial fund, to be known as the "Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund" the income of which is to be used for illustrations, is being contributed by the women of the church, in loving memory of one, who gave twenty-one years of devoted service, as editor of *The Womens Missionary Magazine.*

This plan was first announced in the August Magazine, which was a Memorial number. Within a few days, individual gifts began to come in.

Soon societies began to send their contributions. The plan has met with universal favor. At the close of the fiscal year, the Treasurer reported $4,547.61.

Already the interest for six

months on the first one thousand dollars has been received and used as designated. Societies will be asked to contribute another year to this fund and we hope to report at the 1927 convention that the full sum of $10,000 has been received.

This year, as was fitting, we have stressed the Home Mission study, *The United Presbyterian Church and its Work in America,* by Dr. W. E. McCulloch. Next year we shall stress the Foreign Mission study, *Moslem Women,* by Dr. and Mrs. Zwemer. This subject is of peculiar interest to United Presbyterians, since all our foreign fields are in lands where Mohammedanism, either prevails or predominates.

The Magazine has made commendable progress in circulation during the past year but we are far from our goal—A MAGAZINE IN EVERY HOME. Only about one third of the members of the Women's and Young Women's societies are subscribers. It is easily possible to double our subscriptions within a year if every society will make a complete canvass of its congregation.

There will be a special effort made in the autumn, to increase our subscriptions. The first Sabbath in October will be "Magazine Day". We shall ask every pastor at that time to help extend the influence of *The Womens Missionary Magazine,* which is such an essential factor in the development of the missionary spirit in the United Presbyterian Church.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JOHN P. WHITE,
Editor

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE WOMENS MISSIONARY MAGAZINE OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

For the Year Ending March 31, 1926

Balance March 31, 1925		$3252.39
Receipts		
Magazine Subscriptions year ending March 31, '26	$13054.98	
Programs Smith Advertising Co.	123.62	
For old paper	4.23	
From Mrs. H. C. Campbell	50.00	
Interest on Invested funds (Mrs. Hill)	210.00	
Interest on Mrs. Geo. Moore Memorial Fund	20.00	
Advertising	168.10	
Lillian Robertson Pictures	5.00	
Missionary Review of the World Subscriptions	6.00	
Returned Checks (since made good)	31.00	
Total Receipts for the year ending March 31, 1926		$18672.93
Total		$16925.32
Disbursements		
Printing and Mailing Magazine..	$11019.55	
Cuts and Engravings	448.09	
Mission Studies	300.00	
Delegate Fund	28.00	
Current Expenses	1428.44	
Total Disbursements year ending March 31, 1926		$13224.08
Balance March 31, 1926		$3701.24

Respectfully submitted,

Fannie F. Moore,
Treasurer

I hereby certify that I have made a careful audit of the books and all accounts of the Treasurer of The Womens Missionary Magazine published at Xenia, Ohio, checking all outgoing and incoming funds, as recorded by the Treasurer, and find them to be correct, as well as being neatly, carefully and conscientiously kept.

Xenia, Ohio, April 9, 1926.

T. D. KYLE,
Accountant

REPORT OF

JUNIOR MISSIONARY MAGAZINE

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1926

"Work for subscriptions where you are
Work for subscriptions where you are
Send the Junior Magazine to children
near and far
Work for subscriptions where you are."

THIS was the song the four little girls of Boston sang to us last June. Many did go from that convention to work and you did "brighten the corner" of the Junior Missionary Magazine. Each month during the past year new names have been added to our subscription list, and today we believe we have reached our highest number. We have brought copies of the June issue to this convention and we want you to take them as samples either for your own congregation or for some individual who does not know our Magazine.

From our general secretary's report we are surprised how many Junior Societies and Junior leaders continue to get along without the Junior Missionary Magazine.

Because of the numerous words of appreciation and commendation from our regular subscribers we believe our little Magazine is meeting a real need.

We are indebted to many contributors for the success of the Magazine. Our "Far Away Friends" in India, Egypt, Sudan and Abyssinia have kept us well supplied with interesting stories and character sketches. Even the letters of thanks from the "Magazine Shower" gifts and "Junior Exhibit" gifts are read with great pleasure.

Mrs. Heslip's stories grow better every time; we only regret that we can't have more. Some of them have been excellent for dramatization.

Our General Secretary's letters and "Lesson Notes" have been quite helpful to both leaders and Juniors.

To those regular contributors and others who assisted at times and to the John Crawford Park Printing Company N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., we say, thank you, may you be richly blessed in this service rendered to the Juniors of the Church.

A new feature the past year was the "Something to Do" page. If we may judge from the letters and comments received it was quite popular. You can help us continue this page by writing and telling of the good things you have done.

In this year's issues we are introducing each month a member of our

Women's Board. This member in response to the introduction writes a brief message to the Juniors.

Through the Magazine we have endeavored to keep before the children the different departments of work of the Women's General Missionary Society, especially the Junior Special and the Junior Thank-Offering. We believe as you will listen to the report of our General Junior Secretary you will say that it has been worth while. We find that generally the societies that contribute to all departments and specials are the ones that read the Junior Missionary Magazine. Just think what it might mean to our work, both at home and abroad, if all the children knew of these objects and were contributing, not only of their means but by their prayers!

We have had a real joy in rendering this small service from month to month. Your prayers and co-operation have encouraged us to "Keep On," yet a keen disappointment is felt in the fact that there are still many—yes, too many—of our girls and boys without this Magazine. In many instances it is not their fault.

You know that since 1896 the Junior Societies of the Church have been committed to the care of the Women's General Missionary Society. Hence the Junior Society is the child of the Women's Missionary Society. Alas, many of our Women's Missionary Societies are childless in that they have no Junior Society. Think, mothers. The boys and girls of the church to-day are the men and women of the church to-morrow. The church's greatest assets we believe, are the boys and girls. Are we preparing them for their place? Do we want our church to continue to be a missionary church? Will it not be necessary then to give missionary instruction to the youth of our church? We claim this can be done through our Sabbath Schools and Junior Societies. Remember the Master's command,—"Feed my lambs."

The Junior Missionary Magazine asks to be given a chance in this work—giving missionary information and instruction to the children of our homes and Sabbath Schools.

The financial reports for the year are as follows:—

April 15, 1925, Balance		$281.50
Receipts		
Subscriptions Apr. 15, 1925 to Apr. 15, 1926	$1100.72	
From Gen. Treas., Mrs. J. B. Hill	2000.00	
From Literature Dept...	100.00	
		$3200.72
		$3482.22
Disbursements		
John C. Park (Printing & Mailing Magazine 12 months)	$2623.50	
John C. Park (Cuts—Life Members)	355.60	
U. P. Board of Pub. (Adv. in C. U. Herald)	8.47	
Reed & Whitting (Two Bound Volumes 1925)	6.00	
		$2993.57
April 15, 1926, Balance		$488.65

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

"I have audited the foregoing account of Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen, Business Manager, for the fiscal year ending April 15, 1926 and find it correct."

April 22, 1926

A. F. SAWHILL
Auditor

MRS. N. WYLIE STEVENSON FUND

April 15 1925, Balance $175.98

Receipts

April 21, 1925, Contribution ..... $ 1.00
March 15, 1926, Interest on Fund 60.00

$236.98

Disbursements

April 15, 1925 to April 15, 1926 (Special Cuts for Junior Missionary Magazine) $60.85

April 15, 1926, Balance $176.13

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

"Audited and found correct."
April 22, 1926

A. F. SAWHILL
Auditor

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. JOSEPH M. HEAGEN
Editor and Business Manager

JUNIOR MISSIONARY MAGAZINE CIRCULATION BY STATES
May 10, 1926

Alabama	121
Arkansas	1
California	226
Colorado	164
Connecticut	3
District of Columbia	35
Florida	1
Georgia	1
Idaho	47
Illinois	374
Indiana	86
Iowa	404
Kansas	280
Kentucky	43
Maryland	3
Massachusetts	19
Michigan	12
Missouri	53
Nebraska	48
New Jersey	46
New York	373
North Carolina	90
Ohio	1134
Oklahoma	40
Oregon	50
Pennsylvania	2965
Rhode Island	10
Tennessee	109
Texas	46
Vermont	10
Virginia	76
Washington	74
West Virginia	52
Wisconsin	79
Wyoming	24
Foreign	72

REPORT OF

JUNIOR SECRETARY

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1926

TO us, the members of the Women's Missionary Societies of the United Presbyterian Church, our General Assembly has committed that most important task, the gathering of all our children from birth to fourteen years of age into the Little Light Bearer's and Junior societies. It is well for us to pause and consider briefly the responsibility that is ours, for this is no small task of little significance that has been assigned to us, but rather one of supreme and vital importance to our own work and that of the Church at large. Since we are so greatly interested in the wonderful missionary work our beloved United Presbyterian Church is doing, we should make sure the future growth, enlargement and maintenance of this work. This can only be accom-

plished by interesting and training well the children whose task it will soon become. The future is largely in our hands. "A living Church for tomorrow depends on an instructed Church today." Our children must be won for Christ and interested in the upbuilding of His kingdom. If we cannot do this, we need not expect God to entrust us with the responsibility for saving the world. The child is of first concern in every program of world-saving and world-serving. If we would save India tomorrow, we must save our children here and now. To bring the peoples of Egypt, Abyssinia and the Sudan to Christ, we must put the mission motive in our children today. If we would safe-guard our beloved nation in the next generation, we must put the saving ideals and principles into the hearts of the children and youth, who will soon come into power. There is no other way. If we are truly concerned about our missionary work, we will be very much concerned about our Junior work. We will put forth every effort to build it up and make it more effective. We will seek every means to win and interest the children. We must begin where life begins, if we wish to keep life sweet and strong and properly directed. Even the smallest children can be taught of the needs and sufferings of their little brothers and sisters in heathen lands, and of their power to help by prayers and gifts. How sweet to God must be the earnest, sincere prayers of our Juniors for others less favored? The interest in missions implanted early in the hearts of our children becomes fixed for life. Let us take this responsibility for training the Juniors more seriously to heart, realizing that where no seed has been planted and no effort expended, we can expect no harvest.

The interest in our Junior work has continued during the past year and progress has been made along some lines of activity. We have this year 493 societies reporting a membership of 11,422. This is a gain of three societies and a loss of 710 members. Two Presbyteries which did not report having any societies last year, report this year that they do have, leaving only one Presbytery that does not report any Junior Societies. 65 Little Light Bearer's with a membership of 1451 report contributions of $293. This is a loss in membership from last year. We wish interest in the Little Light Bearer's organizations might be stimulated. A Little Light Bearer's Society in every congregation where there is a Junior society would help interest both parents and children in our work and be a means of bringing many children into our societies. We have 44 societies which have a membership of 50 or over; 23 have a membership of 60 or over. There are 9 societies whose membership is above 70, and five have 85 or over. Mt. Lebanon, Pa., our largest society, has 110 members and 12th Philadelphia, Pa., is second with 91 members. 29 Presbyterials increased their membership. 21 of these made the 10% increase necessary to win the Convention Banner. 15 societies did not send in any report. 102 Juniors have been graduated from our societies. Last year 1002 Juniors were received into church membership, a gain of 185 over the previous

year. We are very happy to say that this splendid record has been kept up during the year just closed and we can report this year 1005 Juniors uniting with the church. One society in Westmoreland Presbyterial reported every Junior a member of the church. Doubtless there are many others which could do the same. 211 Mission Study classes were held. 28 new societies were organized during the year. 6,187 Junior Magazine subscriptions were reported. There are 137 societies which do not take the Magazine. 258 more magazines are reported this year than last. We feel that our Junior Magazine is the best Junior Missionary Magazine which is published at so small a price. We do not understand how any society can keep in touch with the Junior Missionary work and get along without the Magazine. It has been the aim to try to place this magazine in every home where there are children of Junior age. We have not yet reached our goal. Five Presbyterials report every Junior society taking the magazine. We will not be satisfied until every Presbyterial reports every society subscribing to our magazine. 378 new Junior Life Members have been reported. This is a loss of 23. We are happy to say that this did not reduce the Thank-Offering. There are 534 Honorary members. 340 boxes and packages have been sent to the various mission stations in addition to the large and splendid Junior Exhibit sent out from the Boston Convention. All these gifts of love have made glad and happy many hearts whose lives have little to brighten and cheer them. These gifts from the Juniors are a great help also to the missionaries and are very much appreciated by all to whom they are sent.

CONTRIBUTIONS

We have increased our contributions $156.10. This is a larger increase than that of a year ago. Many of our societies have made excellent records in giving. 53 societies are on the Honor Roll for giving $100 or over. The 6th Church, North Side Pittsburgh, Pa. leads with a total of $450. This society also gave the largest amount to the Junior Special $160. The 1st Church N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa. gave the largest Thank-Offering, $300. Six societies gave over $200 to the Thank-Offering. They were 1st N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., 6th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., Aspinwall, Pa., 1st Wilkinsburg, Pa., 2nd Wilkinsburg, Pa., and Ingram, Pa. Six societies also gave to every Department of Work, the Thank-Offering and the Junior Special. This is an increase. They are as follows—1st Braddock, Pa., 2nd Steubenville, Ohio, Greenside Ave., Canonsburg, Pa., Struthers Ohio, 1st Junior Oakland Calif., and the Wallace Memorial, Washington D. C. Every society should be learning to distribute its gifts among all the Departments as these six have done. Our average per member this year is $1.83, a gain of 12 cents per member. To the Departments of Work the Juniors gave $7,519. To the Junior Special, $4,348.04 To the Thank-Offering, $13,446.71, an increase of $895.10. A grand total of $20,965.71 or a net increase of $156.10. In addition $384 have been expended on congregational and district work. Money received from the Junior Life-Mem-

bership fund will be used during the coming year to build a much needed school building at Ezel, Ky. It is not possible to estimated the exact cost of this building, but it probably will be $18,000 or $20,000.

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

	1925	1926
Presbyteries in America	58	58
Presbyteries reporting Juniors	55	57
Junior Societies reporting	490	493
New Junior Societies	24	28
Junior societies failing to report	18	15
Little Light Bearer's Circles	71	65
Little Light Bearer's Members	1562	1451
Loss in members		111
Junior society members	12132	11422
Loss in members		710
New Junior Life Members	401	378
Number graduated	83	102
Honorary Members	537	534
Number uniting with the church	1002	1005
Mission Study classes	218	211
Junior Missionary Magazine subscriptions	5929	6187
Junior societies not using the magazine	176	137
Number of boxes and packages	470	340

CONTRIBUTIONS

Foreign Missions	$1171	$ 738
Foreign Salaries	286	352
Home Missions	691	697
Indian Missions	358	339
Freedmen's Missions	394	369
Parsonage	99	89
Ministerial Relief	112	112
Junior Special Work	4152	4057
Presbyterial Expense Fund	146	137
Temperance	79	84
Isaiah 41:6 Fund	38	36
Columbia Hospital	27	32
Orphan's Home	131	114
Aged People's Home	29	32
New World Movement	180	35
Little Light Bearer's Contribution	359	293
Total	8258	7519
Thank-Offering	$12551.61	$13446.71
Grand Total	$20809.61	$20965.71
Net Gain	5.39	156.10
Congregational Work	384.00	186.00
District Work	79.00	198.00
Average per member	1.71	1.83
Presbyterials in India	4	4
Societies in India	27	29
Members in India	626	733
Thank-Offering in India		$51.15
Total offerings in India		$70.60
Societies in Egypt	17	17
Members in Egypt	1436	1436

HONOR ROLL

The following societies are on the Honor Roll for having contributed $100 or over:—

6th N. S. Pittsburgh., Pa., $450
1st N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., $424.
6th Pittsburgh, Pa., $407.
2nd Wilkinsburg, Pa., $246.
2nd N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., $323.
Aspinwall, Pa., $322.
Ingram, Pa., $292.
8th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., $263.
2nd Wilkinsburg, Pa., $246.
1st Braddock, Pa., $241.
Jamestown, Pa., 236.
Houston, Pa., $226.
3rd Pittsburgh, Pa., $199.
Mt. Lebanon, Pa., $197.
Struthers, Ohio, $193.
Carnegie, Pa., $192.
Grove City, Pa., $190.
Brookline, Pa., $187.
Homewood, Pa., $186.
1st Greensburg, Pa., $181.
Apollo, Pa., $181.
Midway, Pa., $175.
Santa Ana, Calif., $165.
Tabernacle, Youngstown, Ohio, $164.
7th Philadelphia, Pa., $163.
11th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., $151.
1st Steubenville, Ohio, $150.
Wallace Memorial, Washington, D. C., $145.
South Youngstown, Ohio, $143.

Slippery Rock Boro., Pa., $135.
Emsworth, Pa., $124.
1st Pittsburgh, Pa., $121.
Sterling, Kans., $121.
Center, (Beaver Presbt.), $117.
Brownlee Woods, Youngstown, Ohio., $116.
2nd Cambridge, Ohio, $115.
Mt. Washington, Pittsburgh, Pa., $115.
12th Philadelphia, Pa., $115.
Chartiers, Canonsburg, Pa., $112.
Sewickley, Pa., $111.
Oakmont, Pa., $111.
Bellevue, Pa., $109.
Woodville, Pa., $109.
1st Buffalo, N. Y., $107.
North Buffalo, Pa., $106.
Greenside Ave., Canonsburg, Pa., $104.
Boulevard, Philadelphia, Pa., $101.
Norris Square, Philadelphia Pa., $101.
2nd Wheeling, West Va., $101.
Avalon, Pa., $100.
Indiana Pa., $100.
Hebron, Pa., $100.
Beaver, Pa., $100.

JUNIOR SPECIAL

For three years past our Junior Special work has been the support of the Primary Schools for Girls in India. The children have continued to be very much interested in this work. They were asked for $4,200 this year. The amount contributed was $4,348.04, not quite so large an amount as last year but $148 more than was asked. The Women's Board has voted to continue this same work as our Junior Special for the coming year. We are asked to contribute $4,200. The little play, "Daulate's Victory," written by Miss Louise Scott for "Junior Special" programs has been used with much success in portraying this work. We recommend the use of this playlet where it has not already been presented.

PSALM MEMORY CONTEST

During the past year 176 Psalm Memory pins have been awarded. A few societies have not sent in their final reports. We ask you to do so as soon as possible. Miss Hill writes that the memorizing of these Psalms in India is very popular and the pins are in much demand. About thirty pins were given out at the close of the training School for Bible Women held at Dhariwal in March. Dr. Simpson, seven of the Hospital staff and nearly every girl in the Sargodha School recited the Psalms and received pins. The Contest has been a benefit and pleasure as well, to all who have participated in it.

CONVENTION BANNER

It is quite interesting when going over the Presbyterial Reports as they come in to see who are eligible for the Convention Banner. Texas now has a society in every congregation, so the contest seemed to be between Wisconsin, Oklahoma and Texas, as they are the only Presbyteries which are fully organized. We are sorry to say that none of them met all of the requirements so the Banner is not awarded. Wisconsin came the nearest. She made the 10% increase in membership. Her reports were on time. Only five however, of her six societies gave to the Thank-Offering and some of the Departments of Work. To Texas is awarded a pennant for now having a Junior society in every congregation.

MISSION STUDY

During the past year we have had for our Foreign mission study book, "Brave Adventurers" a most helpful study about prayer. The Foreign study for the coming year will be "Two Young Arabs," by Mrs. A. E. Zwemer. It is a fascinating study

of two young Moslems, who start with their father to visit Moslem shrines but finally find their way to Jerusalem and Nazereth. We have had as our Home studies, "The Uplift," by Mrs. Fulton and "Better Americans," number three. These same studies will be used during the coming year. We were very much pleased to have Mrs. Fulton's delightful book which presented our own work in such an attractive form for the use of the Juniors. The sale of this book, however, has not come up to our expectations. We are most anxious that every society which has not used "The Uplift," should do so. The "How to Use" for this text is most helpful. At the close of this study, some of our societies have presented the book most successfully in pageant form. Please use "The Uplift" if you have not done so. We know that you will enjoy it.

SHOWER BARREL

For some years past the Juniors have been contributing to a magazine fund known as "The Shower Barrel." The children of our foreign missionaries and the pupils in the Boarding Schools where English is taught, are delighted to receive these children's magazines from America. Good reading material is hard to obtain and expensive. The Shower Barrel, which has supplied this need, has been a source of mutual pleasure to the Juniors in America and to their young friends in the mission fields. Last fall magazines were sent to the homes of fifty-eight missionaries and eleven schools where there were children under fifteen years of age. On September 26, 1925 there was $154.08 in the Shower Barrel fund. Paid out for magazines, $131.30 leaving a balance of $22.78. Since that time there has been received $47.85 or a total on May 4, 1926 of $70.63. Double this amount will have to be in the fund before the end of September in order that the magazine subscriptions may be renewed.

Last year we reported an increase of membership, there being a gain of 226. It grieves us to be compelled to report a decrease this year of 710. We cannot help but feel that the Women's societies have it in their power to build up the Junior societies. If you are not interested in this work, it cannot grow. You are held responsible for the Junior work. Last year there were 362 congregations where there were Women's Missionary societies but no Juniors. These 362 Women's societies could have organized the Juniors in their congretions if they were themselves really interested in missions. We hope that they will awaken to their opportunities and no longer "Sleep on and take their rest." In order to create an interest in the Junior societies, the Women's Board has voted to give a trophy next year to the Presbyterial which has the largest per cent of increase in Junior membership. We hope every Presbyterial will put on a campaign during the coming year for new societies and for more members in the old societies. With a little effort this can be done in every Presbyterial. We plead with every woman in attendance at this convention to go home with the firm resolve to do everything in her power to help the Junior work in her con-

gregation. We beg you to remember the Juniors in your prayers, that many may be brought into the Junior societies, that God will bless the Junior leaders and that every means used to prepare these children to carry on His great work in the years to come may be worthy of His divine approval and blessing.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. R. MCMUNN,
Junior Secretary

REPORT OF

TEMPERANCE AND REFORM DEPARTMENTS

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRII. 15, 1926

THE liquor traffic has been the devil's best ally since the beginning. He has sent more souls to perdition with that weapon than all the rest combined. And now when he sees that he is losing his grasp of it, he is in the state of mind described in the Bible: "The devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knoweth he hath but a short time."

And now he is willing to give us wine and beer. He knows that "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived and thereby is not wise." "Look not on the wine when it is red, when it giveth its color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright; at the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." He will give us beer, but not the saloon; he will let the brewers arrange that, as they always do.

Horace Greeley once said about the different names of drink: "By whatever name it is called, it is the same old devil." Read what Rev. Jno. Callahan, chaplain of the Tombs, says:

"Thank God, the day of miracles has not passed; they are still being performed. To those that doubt, I say, come around to the Bowery with me some day and see for yourselves. Think of how many men are alive today who would be dead if it had not been for the 18th Amendment. When I think of the men who used to be in the bread line, I know that the passing of the corner saloon has been the salvation of thousands of men and the resurrection of their homes. Old King Alcohol has slain his thousands, but the old king is not dead yet. He has abdicated his throne, and he wants to get it back again. America, thank God, never retreats. Once she has taken a step in the right directions, she will never retrace it."

What kind of minds must people have who want to restore the old conditions? They say we can't enforce the law. How about stealing? There are a great number who want to steal. Why not rescind those laws, and not make those people lawbreakers?

About nine out of ten of those bootleggers are aliens. Send them to jail for the first offense and deport them for the second, and we will soon be clear of them.

"Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the children of men is fully set in them to do evil."

The work of this department has been carried on in about the same manner as last year. Literature has been distributed, pledges have been signed, 112 meetings have been held by those sending in report blanks, and The Clip Sheet issued by the National Reform Association has been mailed to the President of the Missionary Societies.

Mrs. O. H. Milligan and Mrs. J. D. Sands represented our women at the Conference of The Woman's National Committee for Law Enforcement in Washington, D. C. The following resolutions were passed at this meeting:—

"As delegates to the Woman's National Committee for Law Enforcement we recommend that the women of the country pledge themselves to support at the polls only such candidates as will stand squarely for no repeal of the 18th Amendment nor modification by weakening of concurrent legislation.

And, Be It Resolved further, that all candidates for public office be requested specifically to state their campaign position on this question."

Report blanks were mailed to all the Presbyterial Temperance and Reform Secretaries. 281 societies in 37 presbyterials returned their blanks. Special mention is made of Detroit and Texas Presbyterials reporting every society returning well filled blanks.

Our mission in Egypt reports distributing 27,000 pieces of literature. The workers have a cart load, 50.000 pieces, ready for distribution. These tracts are distributed by missionaries, pastors, evangelists, Bible women and school children. They have been distributed through schools, hospitals, meetings, conferences, street resturants and on the trains and street cars. Mr. and Mrs. Titus of India who are in Egypt for special study and preparation for work among Moslems, have asked permission to have our temperance leaflets translated for use in India.

No report received from India.

During the year $440.00 have been sent to Egypt and India for temperance work. We have a balance in Temperance and Reform Department of $1270.43.

We do pray that the women of our church will feel the responsibilty of being faithful at this critical period in our Nation's history, and that their influence will be for God, and home and every land. That the mothers in the home will teach the children reverence for law and its enforcement to keep the Sabbath holy as God has required.

There are now 69 groups of women meeting at regular periods to pray for our church and its workers in the home and foreign fields. A list of these groups has been sent to all our missionaries that they may write and make special requests for prayer. During the year three letters from Miss Kate A. Hill have been sent to these groups.

Do not forget that *Tuesday of each week is our day for prayer,* and if unable to attend any group, set apart a time for prayer that God will bless our church and all its interests and workers.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. P. WIEGERING

REPORT OF

PARSONAGE DEPARTMENT

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1926

THE Angel of Death has again come into our midst and our dear friend and co-worker, Mrs. J. Howard Maxwell, the faithful and efficient parsonage Secretary has answered the summons to come up higher to be with the Lord whom she loved and served so well.

She was a devoted wife and mother and so consecrated to her Master that she gladly gave her only son to carry healing of body and soul to suffering, sinful humanity in far away Sudan. She gave unstintedly of her time and strength to her own church and to the work of the Women's General Missionary Society having been a member of its Board of Directors for ten years.

For more than three years she was called upon to suffer severely. At times, hopeful of recovery, she struggled to carry on her work but again and again had to give it up and seek relief in another climate and at last weary with the struggle she closed her eyes to the things of this world to awake in the heavenly home.

The Master has also called to himself during the year another consecrated laborer in His vineyard. Mrs. George MacDonald, who served for almost fourteen years as parsonage secretary from 1898 to 1911.

We cherish the memory of these two earnest, faithful Christian women and thank God for what their lives have meant to us and to the advancement of His Kingdom. Both of them had warm sympathy and personal interest in the pastors and people for whom they helped to secure parsonages and they were happy to serve in this way.

The parsonage work of the Church has been given over entirely to the Women's General Missionary Society by the General Assembly and since 1902 has been actively carried on by it.

This department is very closely allied to that of the Home Mission department in that in many places the necessity for the parsonage arises almost as soon as for the missionary and the church building. Even after two score years of service the calls for aid are as urgent as in the early days of missionary effort. One of the very vital questions even today, when a minister receives a call to a new field is, Have you a parsonage? and the answer enters largely into the decisions made.

The requests for aid come not only from new localities where the people own their own residences, leaving no place for rent for the missionary and his family, but from the larger cities also come appeals because of the very high rents which a pastor cannot possibly pay from a salary none too large for the many calls made upon it. Larger loans must of necessity be made now than in former years because of the high cost of labor and material but the rate of interest remains the same, only 2% annually, and even the larger repayments re-

quired are much less than rents charged for similar houses. Then at the end of ten or twelve years the congregation has its own parsonage free of debt.

To date, April 15, 1926, two hundred forty three grants have been made to congregations to assist in building parsonages and for missionary residences in the fields abroad and in Freedmen's Mission Stations in the South and at Frenchburg, Kentucky, at an outlay of $663,688.-42. This money is not given in outright grants, as in other missionary work, but as loans to be repaid in ten or twelve years in quarterly installments like rent. Seventy-nine of these loans are still in force with $231,547.02 outstanding. In most cases repayments have been promptly made but for various reasons five loans have not been reduced. A few congregations have made substantial payments in advance of the time they were due.

Seven congregations have made final payments on their loans during the year:—Bellingham, Washington, Montrose Avenue, Chicago; Prosser, Washington; Middletown, Ohio; Monroe Memorial, Akron, Ohio; Second, East Liverpool, Ohio and First, Tacoma, Washington.

Increased activity has been shown this year in this department and many applications have been made for loans and many letters seeking information have been received. Eight regular loans and two small additional loans were made to congregations and an adjustment made whereby two loans of Grinnell, Iowa, from different funds, were combined and carried in the parsonage department. The loan to Ninth Avenue, Tarentum, Pa. was made entirely from New World Movement funds.

Receipts from societies have been larger than those of any year heretofore, amounting to $3780.50. We rejoice in this fact as it shows that the interest of the women in this phase of missionary work is increasing. Repayments on loans with interest and rent for Luxor residence were $26,892.62, the share in the Thank-Offering was $5000, New World Movement $3,818,87 and interest from investments $1,330, making a total of $40,821.99 received.

Disbursements amounting to $47,-941.63 were made possible because of a large balance from last year. This year's balance is $11,577.92 which will allow payment to be made on a number of grants which must be paid as soon as legal papers are ready.

Thus the records of another year are closed and we go forward into the new year rejoicing that we have been permitted to have even a small part in the advancement of the Kingdom and to have the privilege of serving in this quiet way and with the prayer in our hearts that these homes of the prophets, that we have helped to build, may be as lights set upon a hill shedding abroad the light that may lead men to Christ the Saviour of the World.

MRS. J. D. SANDS,
Acting Parsonage Secretary

STATEMENT OF PARSONAGE LOANS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1926

Loans Outstanding at Beginning and Close of the Year and Payments Received During The Year

	Outstanding Apr. 15, 1925	Paid During the Year	Outstanding Apr. 15, 1926
First Tacoma, Washington	$ 740.73	$ 700.00	$ 40.73
Bellingham, Washington	232.45	232.45	
Montrose Ave., Chicago, Ill.	94.41	94.41	
Third Seattle, Washington	530.00	132.75	397.25
Boise, Idaho	375.72		375.72
Brookings, S. D.	61.88		61.88
Prosser, Washington	177.55	177.55	
Middletown, Ohio	934.00	934.00	
Barstow Colony, Cal.	263.45		263.45
Economy, Ambridge, Pa.	844.35	444.35	400.00
Woodlawn, Pa.	1,221.60	240.12	981.48
Monroe Memorial, Akron, O.	201.30	201.30	
First Cincinnati, Ohio	692.00	360.00	332.00
Tulsa, Oklahoma	2,471.72	333.60	2,138.12
Ontario, Oregon	1,273.90	228.00	1,045.90
Fourth, Akron, Ohio	1,690.92	790.00	900.92
Military Ave., Detroit, Mich.	1,280.68	320.16	960.52
Jetmore, Kans.	124.72	55.53	69.19
Sebring, Ohio	832.50	55.50	477.00
Norfolk, Virginia	1,647.92	329.58	1,318.34
Zelienople, Pa.	615.50	220.00	395.50
Monessen, Pa.	1,680.88	80.04	1,600.84
Weiser, Idaho	2,612.24	300.00	2,312.24
Moundsville, W. Va.	1,624.38	282.50	1,341.88
Beechview, Pittsburgh, Pa.	3,343.31	400.00	2,943.31
Olathe, Colorado	1,387.50	34.25	1,353.25
Second, East Liverpool, Ohio	952.62	952.62	
East Toledo, Ohio	1,741.52	235.50	1,506.02
Four Mile, Beaver, Pa.	999.00	222.00	777.00
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio	2,306.61	330.00	1,976.61
Wichita (College Hill) Kansas	3,354.70		3,354.70
North Avenue, Baltimore, Md.	2,020.20	233.10	1,787.10
Knoxville, Pittsburgh, Pa.	1,836.23	211.89	1,624.34
Brooklyn, Cleveland, Ohio	2,306.98	329.60	1,977.38
Third, St. Louis, Mo.	2,542.45	376.68	2,165.77
Washtucna, Wash.	770.00	53.00	717.00
First, Akron, Ohio	5,789.16	533.42	5,255.74
Brownlee Woods, Youngstown, O.	6,805.37	618.64	6,186.73
Twelfth, Philadelphia, Pa.	2,259.92	211.89	2,048.03
Montrose, Colorado	2,118.66	211.89	1,906.77
Grinnell, Iowa	1,276.50	111.00	1,165.50
Lakewood, Cleveland, Ohio	4,378.75	423.75	3,955.00
Stuttgart, Arkansas	4,572.50	75.00	4,497.50
Shedd, Oregon	1,232.05	122.05	1,110.00
Ewing, Nebraska	1,387.50	166.50	1,221.00
Greeley, Colorado	2,245.00		2,245.00
Roberts, Idaho	666.00	83.25	582.75
Hepburn, Iowa	1,882.79	235.40	1,647.39

	Outstanding Apr. 15, 1925	Paid During the Year	Outstanding Apr. 15, 1926
Second, Cleveland, Ohio	6,350.56	708.68	5,641.88
Kenton, Portland, Oregon	1,134.10	286.00	848.10
Hutchinson, Kansas	2,164.50	166.50	1,998.00
Kenton, Ohio	2,636.63	301.32	2,335.31
Oskaloosa, Iowa	924.05	359.38	564.67
Olympic Court, Seattle, Wn.	2,485.82	150.68	2,335.14
Somerville, Indiana	1,634.45	196.14	1,438.31
Second, Spokane, Wash.	2,883.85	329.56	2,554.29
Lansingville, Youngstown, Ohio	2,757.92	636.42	2,121.50
First, Spokane, Washington	1,017.60	127.60	890.00
First, Toledo, Ohio	5,161.50	666.00	4,495.50
Colorado Springs, Colo.	4,025.60	317.82	3,707.78
Indiana Harbor, Indiana	4,025.44	423.76	3,601.68
Freeport, Pa.	7,343.96	753.76	6,590.20
Savannah, Ohio	636.00	212.00	424.00
Ross Community, Pittsburgh, Pa.	5,414.52	235.52	5,179.00
Waterford, Pa.	1,060.00	424.00	636.00
Scottdale, Pa.	3,860.85	376.68	3,484.17
First, Wichita, Kansas,	3,036.85	211.89	2,824.96
Woodville, Pa.	8,413.25	520.02	7,893.23
Granger, Washington	3,036.81	282.60	2,754.21
South Omaha, Nebraska	551.00	276.00	275.00
Florence Ave., Los Angeles, Cal.	6,279.46	448.52	5,830.94
Assuit, Egypt	23,824.15	2,165.83	21,658.32
Beaumont, Cal.	4,350.48	395.52	3,954.96
Muscle Shoals, Alabama	2,589.54	235.42	2,354.12
Rock Island, Ill.	6,728.00	464.00	6,264.00
Monroe, Ia.	1,581.74	166.52	1,415.22
Murray, Nebraska	2,693.14	183.63	2,509.51
Slovak Calvinist, Cleveland, O.	4,767.18	423.76	4,343.42
	$203,769.07	$25,128.80	$178,640.27
Less Consessions to			
Tacoma, Washington $ 40.73			
Grinnell, Iowa 232.13	272.86		272.86
Total	$203,496.21	$25,128.80	$178.367.41

NEW LOANS DURING THE YEAR ENDING APRIL, 15, 1926.

	Amount of Loan and Interest	Repaid	Outstanding April 15, 1926.
Alliance, Ohio	$ 8,700.00		$ 8,700.00
Boyden, Iowa	2,824.96	$ 176.58	2,648.38
Ingleside, San Francisco, Cal.	7,191.95	79.92	7,112.03
Elyria, Ohio	8,700.00	145.00	8,555.00
Grinnell, Iowa (Additional)	1,841.63	138.76	1,702.87
Meridian, Pa.	1,276.50	81.92	1,194.58
Oneonta, New York	3,330.00	400.00	2,930.00
North Avenue, Tarentum, Pa.	8,880.00	222.00	8,658.00
Ingram, Pa.	11,110.00		11,110.00

Ontario, Oregon (Additional)	128.75		128.75
Montrose, Colorado (Additional)	440.00		440.00
Total New Loans	$ 54,423.79	$ 1,244.18	$ 53,179.61
Total During the year	257,920.00		
Total received during the year		26,372.98	
Total Loans Outstanding Apr. 15, 1926			231,547.02
MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS			
Luxor, Egypt, Rent		$ 360.00	
Montrose Ave., Chicago, Interest & Insurance		68.37	
Middletown, Ohio, Interest		66.00	
East Liverpool, Ohio, Interest		79.50	
Greely, Colorado, Interest		40.00	
Olympic Court, Seattle, Interest		10.55	
Interest on Bank Balances		31.26	
Total Cash Receipts		$27,028.66	

I hereby certify that the foregoing account is correct and correctly states the operations during the year and the amount of Parsonage Loans outstanding at the close of the fiscal year ending April 15, 1926.

A. F. SAWHILL, Auditor

REPORT OF
THANK-OFFERING DEPARTMENT
FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1926

IT is said that when the sun is just setting, at the moment in which the last glimmer passes out of sight, the herdsmen of the Alps take their mountain horns and send out four well-known notes echoing along from rock to rock; these are understood to mean "Praise ye the Lord!" They manage the alternation so that one may succeed another, the slope most distant seems to take up a sort of response to that which is nearer, and thus, higher and higher up the ridges, hill shouts to hill, and peak answers peak, until the whole Swiss heart joins in the simple and sublime anthem of praise to the one Lord of all.

The same anthem of praise is being sung by the women and children of the United Presbyterian Church. The north and the south, the east and the west unite in their praise to the Lord, the giver of all their blessings. Not only in America but in India and Egypt the notes echo and re-echo PRAISE YE THE LORD.

These have acknowledged God as the giver of all blessings and have expressed their gratitude by their Thank-Offerings.

As we review the returned blanks again we say "Praise ye the Lord." These speak to us of the faithfulness of the members of the societies—a year of earnest service in His cause. A year of prayer for the work and the workers. A year of good work in preparing the ground and sowing the seed. A year of endeavor to interest others in the great work of the Thank-Offering.

If the blanks that were not re-

turned might speak what would their message be? Could they tell us the story of the same earnestness and faithfulness? Our desire for 1925, a report from each society has not been realized, yet we are nearer the realization than ever before and again we say "Praise ye the Lord."

September, fifth the 1925 Thank-Offering blanks were sent to 1796 societies. Of this number 1695 were returned. One hundred and one failed to report. Thirty-two Presbyterials are on the Honor Roll for having had a Thank-Offering and reporting same on time from all Auxiliary societies.

They are:—

Arkansas Valley—fourth year
Big Springs—third year.
Butler—third year
Cedar Rapids—first year.
Chartiers—second year.
Chicago—fourth year
Cleveland—ninth year
College Springs—first year.
Concordia—fifth year
Detroit—third year
Hudson—second year
Idaho—third year
Illinois Southern—third year
Indiana—first year
Kansas City—second year
Kiskiminetas—first year
Monmouth—fifth year.
Monongahela—fourth year
Muskingum—fifth year
Oklahoma—first year
Omaha—first year
Oregon—first year
Pawnee—first year
Philadelphia—second year
Puget Sound—fifth year
Rock Island—first year
San Francisco—first year
Steubenville—fifth year
Uncompaghre—fourth year
Vermont—first year
Westmoreland—second year
Wisconsin—eighth year

Honorable mention is made of ten Presbyterials that lacked but one society of being a 100% Presbyterial. They are Colorado, Delaware, Indiana Northern, Keokuk, Los Angeles, Mansfield, New York, Texas, Wheeling, and Xenia.

Mention is also made of two Presbyterials that lacked but two societies of a perfect record. They are Des Moines and Spokane.

Albany, Frankfort and Mercer presbyterials each lacked but three societies of being on the Honor Roll. Thirty Presbyterials increased the amount of their offerings over last year. They are Albany, Arkansas Valley, Boston, Butler, Caledonia, Cleveland, Colorado, Delaware, Des Moines, Detroit, Frankfort, Idaho, Indiana, Keokuk, Kiskiminetas, Lake, Mansfield, Monmouth, New York, Oklahoma, Puget Sound, San Francisco, Spokane, Steubenville, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Westmoreland, Wisconsin and Xenia.

Of the 1695 societies reporting, 829 increased the amount of their offering over the previous year.

On the Honor Roll for having doubled their offering are sixty-three Women's and Young Women's Societies.

On the Honor Roll for having averaged one dollar or more per member are one hundred and sixty-nine Junior Societies. Fifty-two Societies gave a Thank-Offering for the first time. Eighteen congrega-

tions not having a Missionary society gave a Thank-Offering.

The Thank-Offering from Egypt is:—

Thebes Presbyterial	$ 254.50
Assiut	1225.58
Middle Egypt	247.20
Delta	1390.75
Total	$3118.03

The Thank-Offering of India is:—

SENIOR

Sialkot Presbyterial	Rs. 855-13- 3
Gurdaspur Presbyterial	324- 2-10
Rawalpindi Presbyterial	836- 5- 6
Gujranwala Presbyterial	592- 7- 0
Total	Rs.2608-12- 7

The offerings of both India and Egypt are disbursed to objects in their own countries, and as they do not pass through the hands of our General Treasurer are not included in the total, but are in addition to it.

Distribution of supplies from April 15, 1925 to April 15, 1926 are as follows:—

Senior Envelopes	76,895
Young Women's Envelopes	23,205
Junior Envelopes	21,162
Senior Leaflets	66,927
Junior Leaflets	20,577
T. O. Creed	1,103
Senior Services	9,623
Junior Services	492
Senior Boxes	12,642
Junior Boxes	9,900
T. O. Posters	218
Total	242,744

LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES

Senior	754
Junior	537
Life Directorships	3

Thirty-eight years ago the women and children of our church began to erect a monument of gratitude to the glory of God. Year by year another course is added. As we look at the one just placed upon this monument we again say "Praise ye the Lord."

The amount of the 1925 Thank-Offering is $161,550.05.

From the first Thank-Offering to the present one, God has manifestly set His seal of approval upon this form of gift worship. So carefully has He guarded it about, that it has in no way interfered with the giving to the Lord's cause through other departments of the Church's work, as figures prove.

Like a powerful magnet, the movement has drawn to itself the very best that is in the nature of the givers, and has brought them into such close touch with their God that they can praise Him for His goodness to them daily.

God has added His blessing to each year's service. Shall we build the Monument of Gratitude still higher?

May our Thank-Offering always be a worthy expression of our gratitude to Him.

"Bring your best, for He is kingly,
Bring your offering full and free;
You can never match His bounty,
For He gave His life for thee."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. O. H. MILLIGAN
Thank-Offering Secretary

1925 LIFE MEMBERS

746. Mrs. J. F. Reid, Torrington, Wyo. By her daughters.

747. Mrs. M. Willison Berry, Torrington, Wyo. By a friend.

748. Mrs. Geo. H. Anderson, Torrington, Wyo. By a friend.

1925 THANK-OFFERING

*Albany	$ 1365.00
Allegheny	12877.83
Argyle	1757.75
*Arkansas Valley	1686.69
Beaver Valley	7584.00
Big Spring	1051.45
*Boston	1827.78
*Butler	5099.00
*Caledonia	2438.35
Cedar Rapids	1319.26
Chartiers	7673.69
Chicago	2063.26
*Cleveland	7335.14
College Springs	1684.95
*Colorado	1903.80
Concordia	219.04
Conemaugh	2441.30
*Delaware	2478.63
*Des Moines	1784.78
*Detroit	2266.53
*Frankfort	526.76
Garnett	528.54
Hudson	1753.94
*Idaho	396.85
Illinois Southern	2119.11
*Indiana	1300.73
Indiana Northern	167.40
Kansas City	1520.04
*Keokuk	1574.87
*Kiskiminetas	2932.13
*Lake	2837.98
Los Angeles	4134.68
*Mansfield	1561.26
Mercer	2354.87
*Monmouth	2526.22
Monongahela	25731.88
Muskingum	3410.68
*New York	234.00
Ohio First	2500.46
*Oklahoma	548.49
Omaha	793.78
Oregon	787.70
Pawnee	675.22
Philadelphia	6093.51
*Puget Sound	1371.06
Rock Island	1201.91
*San Francisco	1301.93
Sidney	882.57
*Spokane	688.80
*Steubenville	3895.41
*Tennessee	666.27
*Texas	319.50
Uncompahgre	84.20
*Vermont	366.80
*Westmoreland	6322.13
Wheeling	2502.57
*Wisconsin	924.80
*Xenia	2988.20
Coin, Ia. W. M. S.	25.00
Sadie R. McMillan	25.00
James E. Miller	25.00
Anna A. Stewart	25.00
Ella Montgomery	25.00
Mrs. J. H. Evans	25.00
A. F. Downing	125.00
Friends	35.00
Aged People's Home	88.00
Convention Offering	100.00
Interest (Approximate)	2762.41
Sale of Thank-Offering Supplies	310.00
Int. Mary Clokey Porter Bequest	553.45
Int. E. McCartney Bequest	1.80
Total	$161511.14

*Increased their offerings

DISTRIBUTION OF 1925 THANK-OFFERING

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Women's General Missionary Society, Tuesday, June 1, 1926, the following distribution of the 1925 Thank-Offering was made:—

Foreign Missions	$ 93025.00
Foreign Salaries	487.68
Home Missions	10000.00
Indian Missions	1000.00
Freedmen's Missions	20000.00
Parsonage	5000.00
Junior Missionary Magazine	2000.00
Ministerial Relief	1525.80
Senior Life Memberships	18925.00
Junior Life Memberships	5370.00
Life Directorships	900.00
Convention Offering	100.00
Sale of Thank-Offering Supplies	310.00
Interest	2762.41
New World Movement	5.25
Columbia Hospital	100.00
Total	$161511.14

DESIGNATIONS OF 1925 THANK-OFFERING

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions	Foreign Salaries	Junior Life Memberships	Senior Life Memberships	Life Directorship	Contingent Fund	New World Movement	*Columbia Hospital	TOTAL
Albany			10.00	50.00					60.00
Allegheny			590.00	1575.00					2165.00
Argyle			40.00	225.00					265.00
Arkansas Valley			80.00	150.00					230.00
Beaver Valley			250.00	800.00					1050.00
Big Spring			20.00	25.00					45.00
Boston			10.00	375.00					385.00
Butler			120.00	575.00					695.00
Caledonia			30.00	275.00					305.00
Cedar Rapids			20.00	75.00					95.00
Chartiers			120.00	775.00	600.00				1495.00
Chicago			20.00	200.00					220.00
Cleveland			520.00	1600.00					2120.00
College Springs				50.00					50.00
Colorado			20.00	175.00					195.00
Concordia			10.00						10.00
Conemaugh			50.00	350.00					400.00
Delaware		199.00	50.00	275.00					524.00
Des Moines				75.00					75.00
Detroit			50.00	175.00					225.00
Hudson			30.00	100.00					130.00
Idaho				25.00					25.00
Illinois Southern			30.00	225.00					255.00
Indiana			10.00	100.00					110.00
Kansas City			70.00	200.00					270.00
Keokuk			10.00	125.00					135.00
Kiskiminetas			180.00	400.00					580.00
Lake			90.00	650.00			5.25		745.25
Los Angeles			360.00	550.00					910.00
Mansfield			30.00	375.00					405.00
Mercer			70.00	250.00					320.00
Monmouth		288.68	80.00	250.00					618.68
Monongahela			1150.00	2975.00	300.00			100.00	4525.00
Muskingum			70.00	225.00					295.00
Ohio First			60.00	475.00					535.00
Oklahoma				125.00					125.00
Omaha			10.00	25.00					35.00
Oregon			10.00	75.00					85.00
Pawnee				50.00					50.00
Philadelphia			230.00	1025.00					1255.00
Puget Sound			60.00	175.00					235.00
Rock Island			10.00	25.00					35.00
San Francisco			20.00	100.00					120.00
Sidney				75.00					75.00
Spokane				50.00					50.00
Steubenville			180.00	475.00					655.00
Tennessee			40.00	25.00					65.00
Texas				25.00					25.00
Vermont				50.00					50.00
Westmoreland			190.00	875.00					1065.00
Wheeling			120.00	175.00					295.00
Wisconsin			60.00	275.00					335.00
Xenia			190.00	325.00					515.00
Miscellaneous	25.00			250.00					275.00
Convention Offering						100.00			100.00
Sale of T. O. Supplies						310.00			310.00
Interest, Approximate						2762.41			2762.41
TOTAL	25.00	487.68	5370.00	18925.00	900.00	3172.41	5.25	100.00	28985.34

*Women's Asso. Work

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McClelland, Mildred
McClenahan, Mrs. H. E.
McClintock, Mildred
McClure, Margaret
McConnell, Mrs.
McConnell, Mrs. W. T.
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McCormick, Mrs. Maria
McCoy, Mrs. Lulu
McCreery, Sarah
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McCrory, Mrs. W. L.
McCully, Mayme
McCulloch, Bell
McCullough, Mrs. Hays
McCullough, Mrs. J. E.
McCune, Mrs. J. W.
McCurdy, Mrs. Maud
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Snodgrass, Mattie
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Thompson, Anna F.
Thompson, Belle
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REPORT OF

FREEDMEN'S DEPARTMENT

THE pulse of a work, or its life, is determined by its advancement. Nothing remains stationary—it either progresses or retrogrades. That the Freedmen's Department has made some progress the past year is evidenced by the increased responsibility assumed in taking the whole responsibility of the work at Camden and Prairie, Alabama.

Heretofore, our Board, as owners of all property, had the whole responsibility of the upkeep of all the buildings at the stations. By the action taken early in the fall, we became responsible not alone for the upkeep of the property and the salaries of the domestic science and sewing teachers, but the salaries of all teachers and all expenses. This alone added a very considerable monthly outlay to our account. So far, however, we have been able to report "without a deficit" and we are depending upon the liberality of our societies to see that we may be able to keep this record. For salaries alone, we have expended $23,648.83 This year, in addition to this added responsibility, we have completed the girls' dormitory at Camden at a cost of $13,062.30, and an additional $1,-834.62 which was expended for furnishings. We cooperated with the Negro Department of the Home Board in installing a most needed and successful water system at Miller's Ferry, Alabama, at an expense of $1,201.32. Many needed repairs have been made on the tenant houses and farm at Prairie. Water is the crying need here, also, and a well for which we had estimates, was ordered. So far, this has not materialized owing to the inability of the men who accepted the contract to get to work. We hope to report this an accomplished fact in our next Annual Report. The total expenditures for the year were $48,759.69.

New equipment for the sewing rooms and domestic science departments has been furnished, thus increasing the interest and ambition among both boy and girl students. In many of the stations, the boys, as well as the girls, are taking advantage of both cooking and sewing classes. The boys, however, are more numerous in the cooking classes. Some of our noted chefs may in the future, trace the beginning of their talent to the education they have received in our Mission Schools. Who knows?

Another evidence of the good will and cooperation existing between the Women's Board and the Church Board, is the transfer of the deed of our Knoxville College Hospital to the Home Board. This, together with some needed equipment, was contributed for an infirmary to be used for sick students and members of the faculty. The earnest prayers of the Board went with the gift, and we hope that the infirmary may prove a blessing to many, and that it may strengthen the cause of the Kingdom among the colored people.

The reports from the various fields of this department are as follows:—

W. G. Wilson, Principal of Camden, reports:

"We are glad to report that we

have had a very good and satisfactory year's work. One of the reasons for this is, that the Board gave us a splendid new dormitory, with kitchen, dining room and laundry. This made the work much easier, and more satisfactory for all.

We had in the dormitory during the term 40 girls, and seven women teachers, making 47 persons in the 18 bedrooms. We are all so elated over the new building that we take pride in showing it to all who come along. We named it "Wilson Hall" for Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson. There was some delay in getting the heating plant in, but we managed to keep everybody comfortable till we could get it installed.

All of our girls were given instruction in washing, ironing, housekeeping, and together with the day pupils, were taught cooking and table service. Two cash prizes were given for the best kept rooms, and there was considerable rivalry among the girls for the prizes.

The Sewing Department, under a competent instructor, has done well. There were 107 girls enrolled in all grades, who used more than 600 yards of material, and made 285 garments, besides the model books made by the girls of the lower grades.

The girls in the graduating class, under the direction of the sewing teacher, will make their own graduating dresses. Cash prizes are given for the greatest advancement made in sewing during the term.

The Sewing Department has been able to purchase all necessary material for the work this term, but we need a good new sewing machine, as the ones we have are old and badly worn.

We have two missionary societies, one Junior Society and one Young People's Society, and these all have rendered excellent service in keeping up interest in the work, and in their contributions for missionary purposes.

In our Annual School Rally, our day school pupils raised $446, of which, $400 was sent to the two Boards. We feel that we have made progress along all lines, for which we are very thankful.

Quite a number of boxes and barrels of old clothing have been received from missionary societies, all of which were acknowledged when received. I would like, however, to mention especially the silverware for our dining room received from the W. M. S. of 2nd Church, Mercer, Penna."

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From Canton Bend, Alabama, we have the following:

"The school year is drawing to a close—closing as many other years have closed. The time seems all too short to accomplish all we desire to finish. However, we have had a good year. All departments have accomplished as much as may be expected.

Something over fifty girls have been enrolled in both the sewing department and domestic department. All have been earnest and have made good progress. The girls in the finishing class have made all the garments they will wear during the closing week. Though we have only the 8th grade, the work is neat and tastefully made. A great many of

the girls are learning to make their own clothes. That has been stressed this year. While the beginners do stitching, those with any aptitude are making their own clothes, under the direction of the instructor. They are very proud of the clothes they make themselves.

The domestic science department is doing very useful work. More than fifty girls, representing many homes, are being taught the art and practice of, not only cooking, but housekeeping as well. The results of both these departments may be easily observed in the many homes represented here. I may add, many homes not directly touched by the school are also indirectly benefited. Those who are not in school are influenced by the clean houses and orderly arrangement of the kitchens of those who have been trained here.

The great lump is slowly but surely being leavened by our schools. Well cooked vegetables, cereals and wholesome bread have replaced soggy bread and fried bacon which formerly made the entire menu for the whole family every day. When we realize that less than sixty percent of the eight thousand colored children, in this, Wilcox County, are enrolled in any kind of school, and of the sixty percent enrolled averaging but seventy-five days during the year, it makes our work look as though it were just a drop in the bucket. This, with teachers in the public schools paid only $22.50 per month, with no school houses other than such Church buildings and out houses as they may be permitted to use—Well, as the back woodsman said, "It is as it is and is no iser."

The Mothers' Club, composed of more than twenty, had its closing concert April 15th. It is rather remarkable how well the members gave their pieces, songs, plays, recitations and drills. They also had for exhibit, garments they had made, quilts pieced and other work. Mrs. Bryant, the owner of the plantation on which the school stands, was there. She not only enjoyed the program but was surprised to see the neat work the mothers had done. These mothers are eager to do well, and so long as people are eager as these, progress is sure and the results will come in unexpected ways."

(Signed) J. N. COTTON, Principal

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Miller's Ferry Normal and Industrial School, Miller's Ferry, Ala. sends the following report:

"All of the departments have done good work. In the Plain Sewing Department, the 6th and 7th grade girls have made garments for themselves and others. Darning and mending were given special attention. Some model work was done in all classes and each year, special stress is placed upon the rudiments of sewing.

The Dressmaking Department reports a self-supporting department this year. The graduates made their commencement outfits and the third year girls made voile dresses. The first term's work consisted of learning the essential stitches and making books. During the second term, they had theory and practice and in the third, they did hemstitching, embroidery work and dress making. Two will receive certificates.

The matron of the Mary Clokey Porter Girls' Dormitory wishes to

thank again those who have made it possible for the girls to have such a neat and comfortable building. The girls certainly appreciated the steam heat during the many cold days that we had this winter. All take an interest in keeping the building in a sanitary condition. They like to beautify it in different ways by making pretty covers, planting flowers, etc. Everyone appreciates the installing of the water system that will mean so much to the work here.

The matron of Johnson Hall, Young Men's building, has kept a neat building throughout the year. The young men, as a whole, have been orderly and the new ones have learned to keep neat rooms. They have been hosts this year to several ball teams from neighboring schools.

There are four nurses in the Robinson Memorial Hospital in training under the superintendent. During the fall and winter, several cases of typhoid fever and meningitis were especially serious. All have made complete recovery. The nurses have been kept quite busy with outside cases and the doctors report good work. The hospital is very useful in taking care of the sick among our student body and in many instances, prevents an epidemic. The class of mothers in home nursing is spoken of later.

The Domestic Science Department has an enrollment of thirty-one. The community girls, especially, are interested in both theory and practice. The girls take turns in preparing meals for the teachers every night except Sabbath. Eight will receive certificates this spring.

The Boarding Department has numbered about ninety-five this year. Many of the girls will be able to render better service in their homes because of the training received in this department. All appreciate the convenient and comfortable dining room and kitchen.

We have in connection with the Mothers' Meetings this year, as last, a Nurse training class. Quite a bit of enthusiasm has been manifested. Some of the mothers in this class have been called to other homes in the community where there was sickness and were able to render splendid service because of the training they had received. Aside from this class, the usual work has been done."

(Signed) C. S. SIMPSON, Principal

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R. P. Williams, Principal of the Arlington Literary and Industrial School, Annemanie, Alabama, sends the following:

"We have come to the end of another year, and in reviewing our work, we have every reason to praise God for His many blessings. Our student body is the largest we have had in the history of our work; every room in the girls' dormitory was taken this year, and the girls have lived together very amicably. Each student is required to do one hour's work each day, for which he receives no compensation. We call this duty work and it goes to help defray their expense. It enables us to board them much cheaper. All the work around the school is done by student labor. The work is so changed about that each one gets an opportunity to perform the jobs around the school. They are graded on their duty work and the keeping of their rooms. These grades are read out each Sat-

urday night. They have improved very much in keeping their rooms and also along many other lines.

All of our girls are professing Christians, the last one having accepted Christ during our last revival and united with our church. Both boys and girls are ever ready to offer prayer and read the Bible in our religious meetings. This is indeed encouraging and promises more for the future than we can tell. We are also delighted to report that not one of our girls has been sent home from school this year and we feel this to be a sign of improvement.

The Domestic Science Department reports a successful year. Lessons have been taught to six different classes from the fifth to the tenth grade, inclusive. To keep the department going, the classes cook and sell sandwiches, cakes, pies, candies, etc. The girls have learned to plan meals and figure the cost. They have been taught table manners, table service and table etiquette. They have been taught the nutritive value of food stuffs which will enable them to cook with intelligence and economy. They serve the faculty occasionally. The most important things they have learned are cleanliness and economy, which are both very greatly needed among our people.

The Sewing department is one of the finest features of our school. The work has been directed by a competent teacher, which has lent enthusiasm to every phase of the work in her department. Up to the present time, she reports 284 articles made, consisting of different models, seams and stitches. Notebooks are required in all classes. The students are taught to clean, oil, operate and stitch on the machine. They are also taught measurements and drafting, studying of patterns, designing simple and fancy dresses, hanging, facing and trimming skirts, and are given talks on color and dress suitable for different occasions. The senior girls are working on their commencement dresses, and evening dresses. They are making underwear, caps and boys' suits and wraps for children, and learning different embroidery stitches. This constitutes the work of the sewing department during the past term.

The work of the Kitchen Department consists largely of preparing the meals for the teachers and the student body. Since we charge only $9 per month for board, it is highly important that strict economy be practiced, lest we run into debt. In this department, everything is done by the students and from day to day, they are having helpful lessons in keeping the kitchen clean, baking bread, pies and cakes, preparing vegetables and cooking whatever is served in the boarding department. Each girl has an opportunity to do this kind of work at least one month during the year and in this way, they receive many helpful lessons which they carry with them.

I am glad to report that we have muchr to be thankful for, for our work has been successful in every department."

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From our farmer, F. L. Bennet, we have the following from Prairie:

"We feel that the farm did well along all lines this year with the exception of cotton. We had a very poor cotton crop this year owing to

weather, but our other crops did well and left the tenants all very much encouraged at the beginning of this year's work. We believe with the changes made in our farm this year we ought to realize a good crop. We are further in advance with our farm work now than at any time since I have had charge and I do hope we will be able to do much better this year along all lines and that this fall we will be able to make a pleasing report to the Board.

We have also been able to do a great deal in the way of house repairs on the farm, and while we are not quite through, we have the material for all, and as soon as we can get the carpenter again, we hope to finish.

We have on hand now sixty-five cattle, all in good shape, and we believe they are safe, as the hardest of the winter has passed.

We feel proud of the help we have received from the Board this year and we are very sorry we have failed along financial lines."

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J. W. E. Wade, Principal at Prairie, says;

"Our school and church year has been a prosperous one in many respects. Although the winter has been cold and hard and our attendance and average seemed destined to fall quite short, we have been able to pull through thus far in a way that gives hope and cheer.

Before school opened, applications in great numbers came to us and we thought we would be unable to care for the boarders, but dry weather came and cut off the cotton crop in our section, and the student body was not as large as anticipated.

As our course is not a high one, we have not gone far into other sections or states to get boarders. We have had only about 18 girls and 12 boys in our boarding department, making the smallest number enrolled in the history of this department. While our boarding department was the smallest, our school enrollment was the highest. We have an opposition school here and have had for years but our enrollment reached the 200 mark.

All the departments have done well and splendid interest has been shown. The good friends of the North, East and West came generously forth with second hand clothing without which, we should have fallen short. Many thanks.

Our Church did well. The average amount given per member was thirteen dollars and we have only a few grown people. Anyone having a good second hand piano which she would like to donate, would find it very gratefully received as well as badly needed at this station."

"The students in the Sewing Department, in addition to learning the different kinds of stitches, are also taught darning and patching. The motto has been "A stitch in time saves nine." They have made some dresses, aprons and other articles of wearing apparel. The girls make their own graduating dresses. The boys take as much interest in sewing as the girls and they are taught to patch their own clothes. Good use is made of all material sent us by our good Northern friends. This is made into garments and sold at a small charge at an exhibit which is held

during commencement week. The demands for these things are greater than the supply. We beg for a continued interest and your prayers."

(Signed) SARA M. WADE, Teacher

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Miss Elizabeth Bradford, domestic science teacher, reports:—

"There were 20 girls and 8 boys enrolled in the cooking department. As the boarding hall was not as full as in former years, the task of preparing meals was not irksome to the girls, although this was the first year for most of them to do even plain cooking. At home, they did outside work and the mothers did the cooking and cleaning in the house. As time would not permit, there were very few lessons in theory and the real work of preparing the meals was begun. It was not long before nearly every girl could prepare a plain, dainty meal. The boys too, showed marked interest in the things they were asked to do and they were always cheerful in doing them.

The mothers are faithful in attending their meetings every Friday afternoon. Some of them come a distance of seven miles every day it is possible for them to come and they are seldom late for the opening devotions. One by one the old mothers are dropping out because they are too old to come. We visit them as often as we can and it is sad to hear them lament and cry and say in pathetic tones "I want to attend the Mothers' Meeting—I love it, but I am not able to get out any more." "Pray for me in your meetings, my heart is there." We are glad to report that a number of the young mothers have become interested in the meetings and attend regularly. With these coming in, the Mothers' meetings have been not only kept alive but lively. Subjects of interest, most helpful to the home life, are discussed at each meeting, and a few lessons in cooking are given.

The Women's, Young Women's and Junior Missionary Societies are organizations of which we are justly proud because of the willingness the members show, to do active Christian service. Each year there is more and more a visible sign of growth in the cheerful giving to help others less fortunate than themselves. Pray with me that this interest may continue to grow and grow until they shall realize the fullest Christian development in loving Christian service for the Master's Kingdom."

Mrs. M. E. Meadows, Matron, says:—

"When I came here in February, I found a number of girls in the boarding department, willing and anxious to become good housekeepers. I like that spirit about the girls for I know that some day, they will become good housekeepers for themselves. It became my duty to work with them and help them plan in order that they might do their work well and in doing this I saw great improvement. Each girl is responsible for cleaning her room and the monthly average has been 85% to 95%. We are few in number this year, but all have the working spirit. We are getting along nicely, yet there is much room for improvement. As I see my girls gaining interest, it strengthens me to do more and better work. I like the work very much and my prayer is to

do whatever is assigned me and to do it well."

Mrs. R. H. Adams, Superintendent of Jubilee Hospital at Henderson, N. C., states that they treated 316 patients during the year, 73 more than last year. There were 119 major operations and 83 minor, 21 obstetrical cases, and general medical cases 93, with only 9 deaths. Sometimes every available place in the hospital is taken. "We like to see people well" says Mrs. Adams, "we wish we could keep them well and yet, strange to say, our hearts are glad when we see someone coming who is in great need of what our nurses can do for them. It is a pleasure, as well as our duty, to nurse them back to health."

"Sometimes we meet with things, apart from the suffering of the patients, which are very sad. About a month ago, a white physician in an adjoining county, brought an obstetrical case to us about midnight. It was a deformed hump-backed girl who was wonderfully ignorant. She can neither read nor write, has no mother, and her father and the rest of her family never attended church. Her case was as serious one. She could not be delivered normally and the surgeons had to make an abdominal delivery. We are glad to say it was a success and the mother and baby are both getting along well in the hospital at this time."

"About two months ago, the welfare officer here, a very fine Christion white woman, brought a white baby about a week old. She said a girl from a good family in another town had made a mistake and she had promised to help her. She asked us to keep the baby and not let any white person see it until she could find a home for it. We kept it for a month and it thrived and did well. She has found a good home for it and says it is doing nicely." "By these two examples, you see we have opportunities to help in many ways, aside from the regular hospital cases."

Miss Josie Warren, Domestic science teacher at Henderson reports a very full school this year, having the largest attendance that she can remember. She says "Though the classes have been larger, we have been able to do better work, due to the fact that we are better equipped than ever before. As I stated in my last letter we have put on a hot lunch campaign on a small scale. Each day we have something hot for the children at their recess period. We have, for the most part, the things they they should eat, hot cocoa, mashed vegetables, etc. We also serve some kind of meat because a great many of the children come to school without any breakfast at all and very few of them have meat every day. We usually serve the lunch for 5 or 10 cents. In addition to the food value given, we are able to realize a small profit, as well as to give the children (some rude boys who have no idea how to eat) some talks on table manners. There are so many things to teach besides the mere cooking, that by the time we give a little attention to the many other phases which I think are quite as important, the girls are not able to learn so very much in one year. The majority of our girls come from rural and poor homes and those coming from the rural homes, know little besides

working in the field. In the poorer homes, the mother works out and is away all day , while the children are in factories or on the streets. In either case, the girls' home training has been sadly neglected. A girl right out of this community, without a gown, toothbrush or any of those things came to the school, and when asked about them, said she never slept in a gown, and when she went to bed, she pulled off the pillow cases to sleep on the bare ticking. This is just a sample of the many little things that we have to teach. I could cite many others parallel to this one."

"In my classes, I am trying to get our community interested in using more vegetables and healthier living. We are having two programs, one a vegetable, the other a health. We are to make a house to house canvass urging the people to screen and to close up breeding places for flies. The health doctor is also to come out and give a talk."

"The other part of the work has gone on in the usual way. We have prepared meals for the teachers in the classes some of the time and carried on the theoretical work as well. We have had 193 enrolled."

Mrs. Rachel Tartar, teacher of dressmaking, reports:—

"The work has been gratifying and has pushed on much in advance of the past, owing to studying in connection with sewing and its relation to the home. I have been surprised at the work accomplished by many of the girls, such beautiful work and the great quantity of it. When I consider the beautiful decorative hand work done, I realize I cannot adequately report the amount done or the number of articles made. Many of the special students do a lot of sewing for the people in town and by so doing, help to support themselves in school. The second hand clothing has been very helpful and it has been greatly appreciated. One mother told me she was so happy, she could take cloaks that were out of style and make pants for her little boys. I am sure our friends would be pleased if they could realize the many useful things these hard working women make from their cast off clothing."

Miss E. E. Jones, teacher of primary sewing, tells us:—

"We have made about 300 articles and used 500 yards of material. I have enrolled 137 pupils. The 7th grade, A and B classes have finished a book "Clothing and Health" by Kinn and Cooley and they are able to select material for dresses suitable for any occasions. They are able also to combine colors and test material and make any plain article."

"The other two classes have learned all the stitches and are able to make a few articles such as caps, aprons and pillow cases. We feel that it it only through this department that we can get our girls to dress as they should. We are able to point out the new girls from those who have been here a year or two by their selection of dress and combination of colors. What you are doing for our girls is indeed, a great help, and we more than appreciate it."

Mrs. Della Harris, Matron, writes:

"We have had a good school year, so far, Our dormitory has been crowded to capacity and we had to

turn several girls away because we did not have room. For a time, we had 102 girls in the dormitory but some of them were unable to stay until school closed because of the scarcity of money. We have several girls this year that have never been in boarding school before. They were very crude in their ways and knew very little of how things should be done. They were not here long before we could see signs of improvement. They knew nothing at all about scrubbing on their knees and thought it was an awful thing to have to scrub on their knees, until I taught them it was the correct way, and now I wish you could see their floors! They take great pride in keeping their rooms clean and they are very neat and clean about their persons. It is wonderful how the boarding department brings them out. All of the girls are professing Christians and take active part in all the religious services of the young people.

We have been blessed this year that we have not had much sickness. I am sure if all the girls had a chance to express themselves they would say they appreciate what you are doing for them. Six of our girls are in the graduating class this year."

The report from Townsville, our community school in N. C. is:—

"This year, we have had the largest enrollment and attendance in the history of the school and as a whole we regard it as one of our best years. The farmers in this community, have, for the last three years, failed in crops due to circumstances over which they had no control. The result of this caused them to become victims of the "morgtage system" which took from them that which they even seemed to have. Nevertheless, through the kindness of a few of our good white friends and the help they received through the sale of the second hand clothing, they managed to tide over the winter months. Even under these discouraging circumstances, our work has prospered.

The work of the sewing department has been especially interesting and helpful. The girls have learned to make their own garments and in many cases, to do the sewing for the home.

In visiting homes, we find a great improvement in the sanitary conditions and also the spirit in which they observe the Sabbath. We, as teachers, feel very grateful for the many blessings which have been ours during the past year. We have had 136 pupils in the sewing department, have made 83 articles and used 231 yards of material."

Very sincerely,

EMMA J. WILLIAMS

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Mrs. Luella C. Tidball, sewing teacher of Thyne Institute, Chase City, Va. reports a busy year in her department. They are at present engaged in making the graduating dresses for the 13 senior girls, which she says are very attractive. In addition to the girls, Mrs. Tidball had six boys in her sewing class, and they were all very much interested in the work.

Chase City is celebrating its 50th Anniversary this year. The Alumni will meet during that time. Mrs. Alice Williams, the first girl to attend this mission, is still living in the

town and is still very active. She says she well remembers all the teachers.

Mr. John A. Bouldin, Principal of the Bluestone Mission, writes:—

"Another year has passed. Sickness and death have both visited our immediate family. We have tried to do our best under the circumstances. Forty-eight girls, with a motto "Neatness and interest and not how much but how well" have been instructed in making the stitches, doing patchwork and plain sewing. Only three hours a day are devoted to sewing, this time being divided among five classes. Sixty yards of cloth have been used this year. Sometimes, girls bring their own material to make garments. The articles which can be sold are disposed of to help bear the sewing room expenses.

We are indeed grateful to our Northern friends for the clothing they have sent us this Winter. Much of this has been given away as sickness and scarcity of money have rendered many unable to provide for themselves. We more than appreciate all kindness shown by our Northern friends for they have done for us what we were unable to do for ourselves. Some day, when the Master gathers His jewels, He will say: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto Me."

In our Tennessee Missions, one of them (Athens) is to be dropped from the roll this coming year. The city of Athens is building a fine schoolhouse for the colored people on the lot formerly occupied by our own school building which was burned early last fall. With the exception of the Church and Sabbath School, the educational work will be closed.

Mrs. W. A. Salley, domestic science teacher, reports that the girls are making improvement in their work. The 7th and 8th grades prepared a nice dinner of pork chops, baked tomatoes, potato salad, hot rolls and peach pie. The 6th grade served a meal of beefsteak, corn, creamed potatoes, hot biscuit and blackberry pie, while the 5th grade served a dinner of salmon croquettes, creamed potatoes, corn, candied sweet potatoes, cake and peaches. Each class usually serves some members of the faculty. The girls have learned that when food is attractively prepared, it is more appetizing.

The girls in the sewing department, under the care of Miss Willie Evans, have finished all the materials on hand and are planning one or two nice dresses for this month.

Miss S. L. Smith, Principal at Riceville, Tenn. says the girls have been very much interested in their sewing. They have furnished their own material and have made plain dresses, slips and pillow cases and such articles as are useful in the home. Some fine boxes of second hand clothing were received and on Christmas, useful articles were given out from the splendid Christmas box received, which delighted the children. The second hand clothing is very useful and greatly appreciated.

Knoxville, our largest station, sends the following interesting reports:—

"During the past year, more than a hundred girls have found a home in Elnathan Hall. More than half this

number had pursued the work in the College Department and nearly twenty will go out at the close of the year as graduates of the Aacademy and College Departments.

While at times there are temporary clouds of depression, because of home-sickness, difficulty in mastering new and difficult subjects, and sometimes concern regarding the meeting of financial obligations, yet, for the most part, they are a very happy group, looking out with eager optimism into the future.

During the early months of the school year, one of the most promising girls, because of a serious break in health, was compelled to leave school and return to her home. We hoped that care and a complete rest might bring a return of health, but our Father had other plans for her, and very soon she was called to her Heavenly Home. With this one exception, we have been very free from serious illness. While there have been several epidemics and much illness in the city, we have been wondrously protected and cared for, and the Psalmist's promise of security has been graciously verified to us.

While there are frequent disappointments and apparent failures, yet it is a great joy and satisfaction to follow the intellectual and spiritual development of the many who are earnestly striving to prepare themselves for lives of useful service.

As we look back over the year, we feel that there is much for which we would give God thanks. For His loving watch and care over us, for His unfailing goodness toward us, and His patience with us. Our prayer is, that He will follow with His blessing the labor and efforts of the past and previous years, and that there may some day be a rich fruitage for the Master in the lives and service of these many girls as they go out to establish homes of their own, and in their touch with other lives as they go out to serve in the various fields and occupations to which they may be called.

Yours in His service,

(Signed) MARGARET BEVERIDGE

Matron, Girls Dormitory

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The Matron of the Boarding Department, tells us:—

"The time passes so rapidly with us in our busy life, that it scarcely seems possible that the time is at hand again for our annual reports. I wish it were possible for me to vary the report from year to year, but in a prosaic work such as this, there is little or no variation to be reported.

As in former years, my work consists in the buying for all the Boarding Department of approximately two hundred and twenty-five people, the planning of three meals each day, and oversight of all the work pertaining to the preparation of the food, dining room work, dishwashing, cleaning, etc. This work is done by student labor rather than outside helpers. For this reason, my duties are more complex than they would otherwise be. We have considered making a change in this respect, but so far it has not seemed feasible.

Ten of the girls have this year earned at least one half of their necessary expenses, and others more, by doing extra work over and above the required hour per day. In this work,

I come into close contact with nearly all the girls and endeavor to teach them the dignity of labor, the importance of good and well prepared food, and cleanliness, as well as the principles of right living.

Very sincerely,
(Signed) MAE BEVERIDGE

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"We strive to make McCullough Hall as homelike as possible. At the beginning of the year, boys come in from different locations, different surroundings and from different types of homes, and all of these must be adjusted to the new surroundings. Generally speaking, those who have been here, cooperate and are helpful in making things pleasant for new students. Some fall in line very readily, while with others, it is a little rough edge here and a coarse place there. All this takes time and patience and help from the source of all help.

We have much cause for gratitude for good health. We have had very little sickness during the year and none of a serious nature. We have had no hospital this year but have been able to care for all who have been ill and those hurt in atheletics, in a very satisfactory manner and with very little expense to students.

Eight of the very best young men in the hall will complete the college course this year. All have an ambition to further their education. Some will enter higher institutions of learning the coming year, while others will take up some line of work. Some will attend Summer School and teach the coming year. These boys will be missed in the hall next year.

Our one aim in the work here is to try to bring out the very best there is in each and every boy that makes his home in this hall during the school year.

Yours for service,
(Signed) JENNIE ROBERTSON,
Matron McCullough Hall

McDill Home has forwarded an interesting bit:—

"At the very beginning of this article, we wish to express our delight in having at the anniversary, last June, Miss Margaret McDill, who was the very efficient Matron for over thirty years, and in whose honor our Home was named. Miss McDill wielded a wonderful influence over hundreds of girls, many of whom return at Commencement seasons, and never fail to inquire for her, telling of her helpfulness to them.

The report for the past year is much the same as in former years, with some change in the personnel of the group, as several of the older girls were transferred to Elnathan, a few did not return to school and new ones entered. There is noticeable, however, the same buoyancy of young life and characteristics peculiar to the young of today.

As the elementary schools of the South improve, there is a decrease in the number of youthful students. Strange as it may seem to those acquainted with McDill Home, the Academy students outnumber those in the grades this year. We endeavor to conform to our name, "Home," and have the dormitory as homelike as it is practicable in institutional life.

While there has been more sick-

ness than usual, we are thankful there has been none of a serious nature.

All are professing Christians, representing six denominations, but evidently preferring our Bible Songs and form of worship.

There have been difficulties and discouragements but all the way, we have known the presence and help of our Father. Our prayer is that the good seed sown in the hearts of these young girls may take root and bring forth fruit, not only during their school days, but throughout their lives.

Yours in His work,

(Signed) MYRTA MCVEY, Matron

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The teacher of Elementary Sewing, writes:—

"We will first mention the encouragements, one of which is the improvenment all have made in their work, and another is the fine spirit among this group of girls.

It does seem that nothing in the day's program gives so much real pleasure as the sewing period. Perhaps there is an element of selfishness in this because they are making, for the most part, something for themselves. While in other subjects they do not realize they are getting something for themselves. However, they enter heartily into class projects and give their time and best efforts in the making of articles for the institution.

The household projects have been no less interesting than the individual ones. In all, they have made for themselves 350 articles, and for the institution 78 articles, and will complete 60 more before the close of the school. In addition to this, they will have made 43 dresses.

Some may wonder how this department is financed. A sewing fee of six dollars per year for each girl, covers the cost of materials and individual equipment. If any of it remains, it is paid back to the student at the close of the school year.

Yours in the Master's service,

ANNA WEIR

The Dressmaking Department submits its report:—

"Our sewing classes in the Academy have shown marked interest in their work and have been quite busy with their study of textiles, history of costume and costume design, together with their making and mending of garments and household articles. Each class has made at least two dresses during the year, besides under garments and household articles. The members of the fourth Academy class have each made one separate blouse from drafted pattern, and a pleated skirt, a wool dress, a silk dress and hat, and will make a voile dress to be worn commencement week.

Last term, the Third Academy class put on a fashion show in connection with an entertainment given by the Y. W. C. A. to secure funds for a radio for Miss Jane Henry. They showed the changes in costume from the Greek to present day styles. Many of the garments were really old ones loaned for the occasion, and worn by the girls with great glee. A few were made by the girls themselves from inexpensive materials. The audience was very appreciative of our efforts, saying that it was an instructive and entertaining evening.

Now Miss Henry and the others in Elnathan Hall are enjoying the radio very much.

We hope to close the school term with our finances in good shape and the work satisfactorily completed.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) CAROLYN M. PERRIN

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The instructor in Home Economics, sends an interesting report:

"The past year has not been an eventful one but in some respects, one of the most satisfactory.

The subject matter we try to teach is always inspirational when considered from the standpoint of the students' needs and the results we have a right to expect in the lives and homes of these young girls.

It is a wise step taken, we believe, when dietetics become a required subject for all girls of the 12th grade or 4th Academy year as we term it. That group this year has meant 20 eager girls with a well-laid foundation in English, science and related courses taken, in most instances, here in our own institution, together with a sense of need of specialized preparation for the most practical phase of life, namely the health and efficiency of themselves and all members of their families from infants to grandparents.

It is a pleasure to report the success and attainments of this class of unusually bright and appreciative students. We wish you might have enjoyed with us some of the dinners for the teachers that they planned, prepared, served, counted the cost of and tested according to the findings of science to know whether the food served was both a balanced and adequate diet. As a practical application of the text to the feeding of the family they are arranging different priced dietaries for their own individual families and applying tests for standardized feeding according to age, weight, occupation and special need.

The group taking the courses on "The House" has shown a gratifying response to subjects of no small importance in Home Economics but of which, young girls sometimes do not realize the need.

If only the interest in the study of the human mechanism, particularly in hygiene and even some home nursing, continues, coming as it does in the first academy year, the girls who have pursued that course will have, not only more abundant health, but, greater respect for these bodies 'fearfully and wonderfully made' and for their Maker Whose wisdom is manifested in their structure and operation.

So, as opportunity permits, we try to supplement useful knowledge of material things, with that of things unseen—the verities that develop and uplift womanhood and through her, God's great human family.

Yours in His service,

ANNA RUTHERFORD

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Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ADA KERR WILSON

Freedmen's Secretary

REPORT OF

AMERICAN INDIAN MISSIONS

THE work among American Indians has been faithfully carried on during the year by the missionaries in our three stations.

The monthly reports tell now of discouragements, now of encouragements. The work is admitedly a difficult one, but one that must not be slighted. The least the Church can do is to try to make up in some measure for the government blunders, past and to some extent present.

Prominent in the recent reports is the note of genuine, heartfelt regret at the resignation of Mrs. Crawford, whose sympathetic interest in the Missions and her care for them has endeared her to the missionaries and to the Indians themselves. Only a few weeks before her resignation, she read to the Board a little letter which Beechkin, the old blind man of great faith in prayer, had dictated to the missionary for her. The regret felt in the missions is but an echo of that in the Women's Board, to whose every member she was a sister well-beloved, and in whose meetings her gentle presence and her earnest pleas for her beloved Indians will be greatly missed.

Rev R. H. Barr, Warm Spring Mission, has reported during the year 749 calls, 129 of them ministrations in times of sickness and death, 98 preaching services, 36 meetings of the Junior Society which was started by Miss Bessie Barr over a year ago. The membership is 136. Five children have died since January first of this year.

Appreciative acknowledgement was made of donations—quilts, quilt blocks, clothing, toys, Christmas things and dolls, among the latter being the boxful received from the Junior exhibit at the Boston convention.

The weather was mentioned occasionally; 107° to 110° in June and July, 31° to 35° below zero in the depth of winter,—But listen to this: "We had our first ripe strawberries, May first!"

Rev. W. A. Mathews, Simnasho, Oregon, recently held a series of meetings on the Umatilla reservation in connection with two Nez Perces evangelists, after which they were to go to Warm Spring and thence to Simnasho. During the Simnasho meetings, the new community House was to be dedicated. Did space permit an interesting tale could be told of the personal labor put on that little building by the missionary, even Mrs. Matthews and her neighbor, Mrs. Drake, helping with the painting in the final rush for completion. One might remark in passing that a missionary to the Indians, like one on the foreign field, is apt to be or of necessity to become a "Jack of all trades."

Mr. Matthews' record in figures is in brief: pastoral visits 491, preaching and Sabbath School services, 48 each, average attendance at Sabbath School, 19. Five deaths occurred during the year. Here, as at each of the missions, attendance is frequently lowered by absence of the Indians, seeking to eke out their scanty living by securing work outside the reservation, and also by the feasts of the

various seasons and by "Long House" celebrations in Oregon and "Pow-Pows" in Iowa.

Rev. R. G. Smith, of Tama, Iowa, reported 568 pastoral visits and much time spent in camp, 269 ministrations in cases of illness or death. Medicine was dispensed 475 times. Of preaching and Sabbath School services, 76 each, and of prayer-meetings, 66; average attendance at Sabbath school, 60 and at Junior society, 58; offerings, $16. Additions to the church were six in number. Adult baptisms two, infant, two. There are sixty-five families on the reservation.

For each of these missionaries we bespeak your sympathy and prayers. As you come to their names on the Prayer Cycle, think of what it is to be far from friends and brother ministers, shut off by roads rendered impassable sometimes by mud, sometimes by snow and ice, always rough and even dangerous in the Northwest stations, and at Tama choked with the dust of the Lincoln Highway, fit symbol of the moral uncleanness brought in over that same road. And, far beyond any physical discomfort, think of the soul weariness that surely must sometimes come, in the fight against the superstitions, the traditions, the habits bequeathed from generations past.

Let us strive with all our might to uphold the hands of these who are endeavoring to teach the Red man that his Great Spirit is the loving father, who "hath made of one blood all nations of men."

WARM SPRING, OREGON

It seems hardly possible that the world has made its circuit since sending our last report. The order of the work here does not change much from year to year. In what is acknowledged by competent critics as the latest and best book on "The Red Man in the United States," Mr. C. E. E. Linquist says concerning the religious work on this reservation: "Health conditions are good. Morals excellent, mainly a result of the fine work of the United Presbyterian Church." Behold "what God hath wrought!" But "there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed."

It is claimed that the Indians on this reservation are increasing in numbers. We sincerely wish we could write that spiritual growth and a thirst for righteousness were on the increase. We believe a few are more firmly established in the faith, but alas, how many have no interest in spiritual things! While we do not wish either to compare or to measure ourselves with others, yet since reading Mr. Lindquists book we have a better idea of how other missions to the Indians are progressing. The cold facts plainly declare that to change the heart and life of the Indian requires much time, patience and prayer. Although the work is exceedingly difficult, yet the promise of God is large and strong. He says, "My word shall not return unto me void."

Our young people's meeting has been carried on for over a year. Most of the young people have willingly taken the part assigned them, and progress has been made. But we must not expect too much from those who are only in the fourth to the sixth school grades. How we wish we could keep them two years longer.

During the year we have studied the Gospel of Luke and John on Wednesday evenings. We have felt that many have paid at least fairly good attention, and through personal conversation we have learned that some believe there is only one Saviour and some desire to be Christians. But if you find one such among ten, where are the nine?

The Government day school at Simnasho has been closed and the children sent here. That brought up our enrollment to over 140. Here they are for a few years only; and their soul's destiny depends largely upon what they hear and accept while here. The homes of some of the children in school are from one to two hundred miles from here. It is utterly impossible for us to follow them up after they leave us. If we only had teachers and matrons whose ideals in life were above the dance and card party, and who would take a little interest in the children spiritually, much more would be accomplished.

Some time during the winter our hearts were gladdened by a letter we received from an Ohio pastor. He wrote that his people were willing to pray for the success of the work here, but they desired to know our need. We replied that we felt we had at least three special needs:

First. That God would send a conviction of *sin* into the hearts of the Indians. It is surprising but true that many who were once members of the Church and heard the Gospel for years have not only gone back to the ways of the heathen, but even deny that there are such things as sin and crime. "These are fool notions of the white man!" Under such conditions one can readily see how difficult it is for children to openly profess faith in Christ. It would mean ridicule and in some cases persecution from both parents and neighbors, However, we believe there are secret believers among them.

Second. That God would either send a conviction of sin into the hearts of white employees, so that they would set a worthy example before the Indians, or replace them with those who would. Life has been made very unpleasant here for some employees who had it in their hearts to attend church.

Third. That God would enable the missionaries to be more faithful and to live the Christ life more convincingly before the people. The well-known J. C. Penny, head of some 700 stores, says, "Today the number of this company's stores is conditioned only upon the number of *competent men* it may secure to run them." In spite of all our praying and working we often feel that the real cause of but few conversions and stunted Christian growth among our people must certainly lie at the door of the missionary.

Under official connivance and protection the enemy seems to thrive and grow more bold. Years ago our session and the better class of Indians requested that such work as threshing be prohibited on the Sabbath. The request was granted as to this place. But last fall the thresher was allowed to run on two Sabbaths near here. The owners were planning to run it another Sabbath; but while going up a steep hill on Saturday, the

engine nearly got away from the driver and something was broken that caused a week's delay.

No rebuke has been given by "the powers that be" for ignoring the requests of Christians and breaking the Lord's day. But Uncle Sam paid the machine's repair bill.

Many years ago, the missionary here had to go on Sabbath to where the threshers were and preach, if he had hearers. We may have to resort to that again. But in spite of the many discouragements we are thankful that there are those who remain faithful and witness for Christ.

The last Sabbath of March we had our Spring communion. Just before the services began we learned that elder Tullux Wolliquilla was ill and would not be present. The next morning we went to see him but before we arived he had begun his last sleep. We could not but notice the peaceful expression upon his face. Although living five miles from church, the weather had to be extremely cold or unpleasant to keep Tullux from the services. He enjoyed outdoor life and spent very much time in the saddle. He was formerly a very strong man and although over ninety years of age, rode to the Agency only a few days before his death. In the days of his prime he was led to see that he was a sinner and needed salvation. He accepted Christ as his Saviour, and he frequently said in Church that he never regretted his choice. Greatly lamenting that many of the Church members—his children among the rest—had backslidden to the Shakers, he said "he was going to travel the Jesus road as long as he lived." We believe he did. He was an elder of this Church for over fifty years. He never learned to read nor to talk much English. Sometimes he did things, that from our point of view, were not above criticism; but when by the grace of God we reach heaven, we believe we shall meet Tullux among the redeemed.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. BARR

SIMNASHO, OREGON

We herewith respectfully submit our report for the year ending March 31, 1926.

The work among the Indians on the reservation here moves along slowly. Moral conditions do not improve as we would like to see them improve. The number of Indians won from heathenism to Christianity has never been large. In short the progress made, has been painfully slow. But what would conditions be like on the different reservations if the Church of Jesus Christ had never entered the field? The church of Christ has more to show for her work than has any other agency at work among the Indians.

We have conducted services at the Church each Sabbath during the year with the exception of three. On two of these Sabbaths the Indians were in camp. On the other Sabbath the missionaries were away, being in attendance at the Synodical Bible Conference at Corvallis, Oregon.

The attendance at Sabbath services has run all the way from five to fifty-five. Seventy-five per cent of the Indians in the Simnasho district have attended services during the

year at least a few times. At least eighty-five percent of the Indians in our district have come to the mission in quest of help of one kind and another. Our lives have touched the lives of these as the days have come and gone, and we have endeavored, to the best of our poor ability, to exert an influence for righteousness at all times. This thing we notice, that the Indians go to considerable trouble to hide their sins and shortcomings from the missionaries, although they seem to be indifferent about others knowing.

During the winter the new Community House has proved to be a great help to us in our work. It has provided a place where our young people could have their social events, and how they have enjoyed the parties! Then, it has afforded a place where the families who come long distances to church could make a cup of coffee and eat lunch. We shall make great use of it next week during our evangelistic meetings and upon similar occasions in the years to come. And further we shall have a place now, where we can care for the sick who are neglected by their own people as the old folks too often are.

Our Christmas entertainment proved to be as much an attraction this year as it has ever been. The day school here was closed last June and so we did not have the help of the school-children. The program was given by the young men and young women. We miss the school children in our Sabbath services, too.

During the year we have made 491 visits in the homes of the Indians. We have tried to keep in close touch with every case of sickness and every case of special need.

We covet the prayers of God's people for ourselves, for our work, and for our people.

Very sincerely,

W. A. MATTHEWS

TAMA, IOWA

During the winter and spring we have had larger attendance than ever before.

The Sabbath School is organized with all Indian officers. The average attendance at our Sabbath evening services has been over fifty.

The following has been the program for each week since September first, 1925, it being impossible to have regular programs during summer months on account of school being closed: Monday evening, band practice and social evening; Tuesday evening, educational moving picture films; Wednesday evening social gathering at chapel, discussions; Thursday evening, band practice; Friday forenoon two Junior meetings at reservation day schools; Sabbath at 3 p. m., preaching and Sabbath School at the Sanitorium; at 7:30 p. m., preaching and Sabbath School in the chapel at the reservation.

We have had 8 adult and 5 infant baptisms; accessions by letter, 2; removals, 3.

The Roman Catholic priest has not been at the Sanatorium for more than two months; all the children have been under our training, which accounts for the sudden jump in attendance to 80 at the Sanitorium. We never can tell when he will come and take them away from us again.

I omitted in my program our Friday evening teachers' meeting for the reservation Sabbath School. Edward Davenport and wife and George Youngbear are teaching. We are very much pleased with the way they are handling the work.

Our Christmas celebration was very largely attended; 210 at the dinner and treat. We have distributed food, clothing and comforts as needed. Our friends all over the Church have been interested and helpful.

The former old "Witch Woman" has become a very sweet, humble Christian, and is very happy about it.

We have had nine weddings. Have had several Christian funerals and have been called on to assist at almost all of the others.

When showing our educational films I always give a religious talk between reels.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. SMITH

INDIAN MISSIONS

April 15, 1925 to April 15, 1926

Balance April 15, 1925		$9217.60
RECEIPTS		
By		
Presbyterials	$6066.50	
Warm Spring Cong.	33.00	
Refunds	13.00	
Individuals, etc.	145.00	
1924 Thank-Offering	1000.00	
Total		7257.50
		$16,475.10
DISBURSEMENTS		
To		
Salaries	$4500.00	
Sabbath School Peridicals	191.50	
Junior Missionary Magazine Fund	1510.50	
Premium on Insurance	343.00	
Convention Expenses	150.00	
Coal for Tama	200.00	
Drugs etc.	104.33	
Interpreter, Plumbing supplies, etc	433.99	
Electric Light	102.96	
Deputational Expenses	171.00	
Christmas Dinner	50.00	
Council of Women	30.00	
Support of Orphans	200.00	
	$7987.28	
Transfer	4000.00	
Total Disbursements		$11987.28
Balance April 15, 1926		$ 4487.82

INDIAN N. W. M.

April 15, 1925 to April 15, 1926

Balance April 15, 1925		$660.05
Receipts		$344.04
		1004.09
Disbursed		364.26
Balance April 15, 1926		$639.83

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REPORT OF

HOME DEPARTMENT

DURING the past year this department has supported thirty-one Home Missionaries. Of this number seven have worked among the Aliens, two were City missionaries, three worked in different presbyteries and nineteen were in our two stations for the Mountain People.

Miss Irene Mechlin, missionary in the Italian church, Brushton, Pittsburgh, Pa., who has served so loyally and faithfully for the past five years, has resigned and closes her work with this report.

Miss Irma G. Allen, who was the faithful and efficient missionary on the Pacific coast for a number of years, and Miss Margaret Heazlett, missionary in the 12th church, N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., for several years, both of whom have been laid aside by ill health, are still unable for duty. Will you not continue to remember these two in prayer that if it is God's will they may be able to return to the work they so much love?

Miss Theresa Lippert, missionary in San Francisco Presbytery, was called home early in the year to care for her sick mother. Her mother is now much improved in health, and at the request of Presbytery, Miss Lippert was appointed to work in the 2nd Church San Francisco, giving half time to the work. She began the first of April.

At the request of Chicago Presbytery a missionary was granted for Gary, Ind., to work under the supervision of the First Church. Miss Sarah Loucks of Evansville, Ind., was appointed and has been on the field since March first.

Oklahoma Presbytery made an urgent appeal for a missionary to work in mission congregations. The Board considered the request very favorably but has been unable to find a missionary.

One more new worker was been added this year, that of a nurse to assist Dr. Esther Mitchell in the Hospital and also in the community. Miss Myra Lawton, R. N. of Pittsburgh, Pa. has been on the field since February.

In addition to the salaries of the thirty-one missionaries mentioned above, this department is also responsible for the upkeep of all the buildings at both Frenchburg and Ezel, Ky. This includes insurance, taxes, repairs etc. The Home Board pays half of the salary of the pastor at Frenchburg. Since our last annual report a pastor was secured for our new work at Ezel. Rev. Howard M. Brittain is pastor of the congregation and superintendent of the school. Our workers report as follows:—

ITALIAN MISSION, WEST NEW YORK

Our work during the past year has been very interesting and most encouraging, and we hope a blessing and help to many families with whom we have been in contact, and to whom we have tried to bring the light through the Word of God.

It makes me happy to see some of the results of my work, although sometimes it is very discouraging to see the indifference of many who are so taken up with worldly pleasures

that they have no time for things that count. So many Italians do not want to learn of God. They believe that "where ignorance is bliss, it is folly to be wise."

My work with the children is very interesting and inspiring, especially our Wednesday afternoon meetings which are varied with Bible Hero lessons, stereopticon views illustrating Bible stories, chalk talks and singing of the Psalms. The most beautiful part is the childrens' prayer meeting before regular class. Almost all the children take part, and their prayers are beautiful. They seem to be inspired when they pray, and it makes my heart happy to hear them. We have had some wonderful answers to prayer too, this past year. It has made the children very happy and they have not forgotten to thank God for answered prayer. My visits in the homes have been as a friend, and helper in every way possible.

A few months ago mother's meetings were started, meeting alternate Tuesdays. These have been most helpful, especially to our young mothers. Sometimes we meet alone, giving them a chance to ask questions. Other times we have outside speakers such as Social workers and the pastor of the church. Especially fine was the motion picture reel illustrating the work of the Anti-Saloon League, and a splendid talk by the executive secretary. Charts were distributed to the mothers giving a fine set of rules for good health.

Another feature of the work is the music, which is quite important with the Italian people who are so fond of music.

We have special music, some of which has been lovely, at all of our services. We have music lessons, violin, piano and vocal, for the children Tuesday afternoons. I play the organ or piano for all our services as there is no one else to do it, and play violin selections at every preaching service.

On Easter Sabbath, Children's Day and Christmas we had special exercises and music by the children. The Christmas entertainment was very successful with a tree, gifts and candy for all. We were especially fortunate in having the candy donated by a grocery store. Most of the lovely presents were supplied by a local men's club.

Our Sabbath services and week day meetings have shown a spiritual growth. A dozen or more New Testaments in English and Italian, and many tracts were given out. Of the twelve new members received during the year, several were from the Sabbath School. A special class was conducted for them.

During the summer outdoor meeting were held on the corner where our new church will be built. We hope the building will be erected very soon. During the last quarter of the church year we visited our church in Hudson Presbytery, to present our work. Most of the churches took a special offering for the building fund. Others sent the money direct to the Board of Home Missions. Let this be our sentiment as expressed by one of the little girls in prayer, "We appreciate what the American people are doing to help build our church, and may we do something for them to show our appreciation. Oh, dear Lord may we

build a beautiful church and fill it with people to worship Thee."

We are deeply grateful to the pastor and people of the First United Presbyterian church of West New York, for the use of their building, their kind hospitality and fellowship.

We feel that God has wonderfully blessed us in this work and we are deeply grateful to Him, and to all our friends who have prayed for and helped support this Christian center in this large and needy field.

Very sincerely,

DOROTHY CALIANDRO

SECOND ITALIAN CHURCH, BRUSHTON, PITTSBURGH, PA.

One of the many interesting events of the past year was the celebration of the tenth anniversary of the organization of the Women's Missionary Society. Good speakers and soloists furnished both instruction and entertainment. The attendance and interest in the missionary meetings have been good, and contributions have increased.

A bazaar was held in December and a box social February 22nd, the proceeds to be applied to local church work.

The Intermediates are on the honor roll for payment of their quota. The Junior's increased their offerings.

The Sabbath School attendance has been good. Miss Angela Morasco is the efficient superintendent.

The older girls in the sewing school made patches for a quilt, which Miss Smith put together with the Italian colors, red, white and green. We hope it will delight the eyes of Miss Dora Mason's pupils in Egypt.

Material was provided and the girls were taught to make princess slips for themselves. More prizes than usual were given for regular attendance. The prize needle work was beautifully done.

A summer school was held in July, in which, in addition to the Bible lesson, the boys had manual training and the girls embroidery and basketry, and the little ones, kindergarten work.

An encouraging feature of the work in the homes, is a greater interest in the Bible. Some men are reading the Testaments that were given them.

Several children when receiving Scripture picture cards, have said, "My father keeps these cards." My prayer is that the message of the Bible cards may reach and influence some who would not accept a Testament.

Recently a woman bluntly refused a religious paper "because our religions are different." The people are usually eager to get papers and cards. Even the men will ask for them. A young man asked "Is this a holy card?"

Four of our children whose father died last spring, have been placed in the United Presbyterian Orphans Home where they are very happy.

With this report my work closes in this mission. My resignation having been accepted by the Women's Board.

Respectfully submitted,

IRENE MECHLIN

Since the resignation of Miss Romain Russell, missionary in South-

view and Westland, one year ago, the work has been in charge of two missionaries, Miss Dora Cowden and Mrs. Maude Morrison.

Miss Cowden reports as follows—Since Miss Russell gave up the work June first, I have had charge at Southview. The mines have been closed all year, so there are many empty houses. There are about fifty families that have no other place of worship. Our Sabbath School has an enrollment of 54 with an average attendance of thirty. The school has been opened every Sabbath. Three have missed only two days. There is a loyal band of young people who meet every Sabbath evening. They are learning to know Christ in a very personal way. The average attendance is 12.

The midweek prayer meeting, held Tuesday evening, has an average attendance of fifteen.

One day each week is spent in the homes. It seems to mean much to them to have some one who loves them and cares for them.

DORA E. COWDEN,
Hickory, Pa.

WESTLAND

The mine at Westland has always been a union mine until it was started this fall, when non-union men were brought in in great numbers. Many of these men brought their families. There has been much friction between the miners. In the early winter a dwelling owned by the coal company was blown up. This house was next to our church, and many of the church windows were broken which caused an outlay of nearly one hundred dollars. Recently another bomb was exploded, further down the street. Several houses were more or less damaged, and five windows in the church broken. There has been much sickness and suffering among the people. In spite of the discouraging conditions, the church work has been going on, and God has blessed our efforts.

Rev. Chas Stunkard, of Hickory, has been our pastor during the year. There have been four additions to the church roll, three from the Sabbath School. In June we held a Community Daily Vacation Bible School which was well attended.

The Sabbath School enrollment is 96. We also have a Cradle Roll and Home Department.

The Women's Missionary Society has eight members. Thank-Offering $29.00. Contribution to foreign salaries $32.00. Junior members 25. Thank-Offering $3.50. Missions $8.00. Mission to Lepers $5.50. Y. P. C. U. 33 members. Offering $24.60.

Twenty-four Bibles and fifty copies of St. John's Gospel were given out, besides many tracts. Our new people are too poor to buy Bibles, and very few have them.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS.) MAUDE MORRISON,
Hickory, Pa.

LANGELOTH AND SLOVAN

Through the kindness of our Women's Board, I had the pleasure of the trip to New York and Boston, last June, for the W. G. M. S. Convention.

Among the many wonderful things we saw in visiting these large cities of the east, there was one thing above

all others, with which I was impressed, and that was the vast number of foreign speaking people and their children that make up the population of these cities, and as we saw conditions there, so it will be all over our beloved land, if these people are not met with the gospel and brought under its influence. True the churches on the front line are doing splendid work, but foreigners have come in overwhelming numbers, bringing the religion that that most of them do, and many intemperate habits. Certainly mission work among these people is most important and a very great task for the churches of America.

In our work at Langeloth and Slovan we are responsible for 2000 or more of these people. While laboring among these for a number of years, and giving this last year altogether to this part of the work, we are beginning now to see some fruit, although we do not have a large number to report as uniting with the church, as we had hoped. We are reminded, "that the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, till it receive the early and latter rain."

We are thankful there were two who were led to take this step, and that there were others who were willing but were hindered by their parents.

There has been an increase of 35 new members in the Sabbath Schools, and a number of the adults are attending the preaching service. We also have had 15 new members in our Junior Societies. A number from the Slovan society have entered the Senior Young People's Society, that has just been organized.

This seems to be a very promising part of the work. They meet just before Sabbath School, at 2:15 p. m. Thus far we have had about 20 in attendance. It surely is wonderful to hear the voices of these young men in prayer in these meetings and to see the way our young president takes hold of this work. This society has been started with those who have united with the church and those who have attended the Junior Society. A communicant's class is being conducted during the meeting, as we believe this would be a good foundation study for our young people, and probably be the means of leading others to unite with the church. We held our first young people's social the last of March. There were 26 present, all of whom seemed to enjoy it very much. We are hoping that through this organization, the young people will be led into active service for the Master. There is a possibility of another church organization in the future.

I know you all will rejoice with me to know that our prayers have been answered, and the new church building at Langeloth is in sight. The plans are all ready and a mass meeting is planned for April 15, when the final drive for funds will be made. From what has been already pledged by the leading men of our church and community we feel sure that this great project will be put across; no doubt the building will be in course of construction when you read this report, and we ask you to pray that all may be faithful in their pledges and blessed in their giving and that

God may be glorified. It will mean much in the work among my people, for I will have some place in which to teach them God's word and the true way in which to worship Him. One man remarked when I was telling him the plans for our building: "You will have something to show the people then so that they will know what your are talking about."

Six Bibles were given out, one of which was sold. Four copies of the Gospel of John in Foreign language, over 100 gospels in English were distributed. Part of these gospels came from the Junior Exhibit, at Boston, for which I have been very thankful. A special effort is being made to get the children and young people, and the older people who can read, to read the Bible daily.

Altogether there are about one hundred and thirty of the children, young people, and adults among the foreign people who attend the Sabbath services, and through the distribution of the gospels probably others have been reached, but this is merely a handful compared with the number yet to be reached, yet we believe God can use these lives to permeate the life of this whole community, so pray to this end that His purpose for us here may be accomplished.

GRACE WELCH,
Langeloth, Pa.

FIRST ITALIAN OF LOS ANGELES

Easter bells are still ringing in my ears. Happy Easter time it was for us in the Mission, for we had a little party with the children's rehearsal and ice cream cones and Easter eggs. Best of all we had 114 at our morning service. The largest attendance in the history of our Sabbath School. We combined the two services, and the children looked happy, and did well in their part of the program, and the young people sang with unusual sweetness. Our pastor, Rev. Romano, conducted a brief service in Italian, and the entire offering amounting to ten dollars was given to our Freedmen's work. The flowers were carried to the sick and shut-ins.

One year ago we were happy to pass the one hundred mark with 104 at our service. During the year 39 new children have been brought into the Sabbath School, interesting 17 new families. One man of 70 never misses a service now and he was brought by his little grandson. We are so glad for it means a stronger hold in the community. We have lost twenty-six through removals. Two families have gone to Philadelphia, one to New York, one to El Paso and one to Denver. Are we discouraged? No, for the seed once sown will bear fruit and perhaps it is only God's way of sending out workers. Our prayers follow them. From our church roll we lost eleven and gained five. Two of these were by letter and three by profession. The present membership is sixty-six.

Our pastor, Rev. Gustavo Romano, came to us in December, and we are very thankful to have a minister giving full time to the work. Mrs. Romano, too, will be a help. Of course, we gave them a reception, and the United Presbyterian ministers of the city were invited, also the Italian pastors and the Superintendent of Missions.

The month of July was taken up with our Daily Vacation Bible School, which has done much in reaching the children of the community. We had 52 enrolled and 10 that never missed a day. The interest throughout was splendid, and the closing exhibition of memory work, songs, Bible stories, and hand work brought many parents and friends. A quilt of Bible verses outlined in colors was made and later quilted by our W. M. S. It will be sent to the W. G. M. S. in Monmouth. Of course, we took the children to the park for a picnic, and such a good time as they had! The teachers were all faithful and many friends helped.

There has been much sickness during the year, and our average attendance in Sabbath School has only been forty-eight. Small pox became almost an epidemic, and "flu" was prevalent. One of our dear little Cradle Roll babies was taken by whooping cough and the father of one of our members was taken after a serious operation. We are thankful for the recovery of many others who were very ill. One mother with six little girls is still unable to be home from the hospital.

Mother's Day, Children's Day, Annual Picnic, and Rally Day were all given prominence and the Christmas program brought a full chapel and gave joy to the children. Each child had an orange, candy, and either a doll or toy or handkerchief. Nearly every congregation in the Presbytery has given us help during the year. The First Church was unusually kind in providing new garments and helping with Christmas baskets. West Washington, Whittier, Pasadena and Santa Ana churches rendered excellent help and we all feel grateful. Even from Omaha came a box of lovely dolls. It was our very happiest Christmas for the children.

The Juniors now number 35—the largest society in the Presbyterial. For the first time they gave a Thank-Offering and helped with Junior Special. The C. E. society gained three but lost three members. They have helped to support a little girl in P. M. I. Egypt and pledged heavily to the New World Movement.

Our congregation has repledged its full amount and hopes to pay every cent. Our hearts rejoice in our prospect of a new church building. Already the building committee has been selected and plans are being sketched. What joy it will be to have rooms for our different needs! We will "praise Him more and more."

We rejoice in better kitchen equipment, tables for primary room, and table for beginners, two dozen new primary chairs, and Bible Songs No. 4 from the Board of Publication. New English Bibles and new Italian Song books are on their way and expected soon. All these things help and encourage us.

My visits number 840. Bibles given out number 5, besides 18 Testaments, many Gospels, leaflets and papers and cards. Five earned C. E. pins by memorizing the First Psalm. Many flowers were carried to the sick and "shut-ins" and many used garments carried to needy ones.

The W. M. S. studied "The Land of All Nations" and each time something from the Magazine. We now have eight subscribers. At each meeting we had a Bible study. We

made many garments, tea towels and table cloths for our Mission and pieced two quilts. The luncheons were always enjoyable. We had a shower for our new pastor's wife, and served two congregational dinners.

In giving to Missions we have done better than ever before. $63.50 for the budget, $10.00 for White Gift, $17.80 to Waldensians in Italy and $5.00 Birthday money to Waldensian Orphanage in Florence. An average of $5.37 per member for all work.

We have had discouragements but no reason to be discouraged for we hear God say, "Fear thou not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed I am thy God; I will strengthen thee, I will help thee, I will uphold thee by the strong arm of my righteousness." So we go on planning for a new building, for better equipment, for enlarged work and promise to pray more, work harder, and patiently trust God for results. We thank all those who have been praying for us as well as all those who have helped us by their gifts.

Gratefully,
Yours in His Name,
(MRS. E. C.) GEORGIANA O. LITTLE

EAST MANSFIELD, OHIO

The year 1925-26 has been a busy one in the work at this place. The summer months were given largely to vacation and building repairs. Repairs and painting to the amount of two hundred and twenty-five dollars were put on the church building and parsonage making a very marked improvement in the appearance of the church property. A part of the necessary funds for repairs was given by the Home Board and the balance from the community.

Sabbath school was held every Sabbath during the year. Enrollment 97 and an average attendance of 67. The offerings amounted to $192. Evening services were held forty Sabbaths. Average attendance thirty-three. Offerings amounted to $267.84. The Mission has paid all running expenses for the year with the exception of salary of the missionary. Eighty dollars was sent from the church offerings and forty-five dollars from the Sabbath School to the financial agent of Presbytery, for missions. The birthday and Junior offerings, amounting to twenty-four dollars were sent to the Women's Board.

On Nov. 15th., Dr. W. J. Grimes held communion, the first this congregation had observed in three years. At this time thirteen were received into membership, four being baptized.

One encouraging feature of the work, has been the interest manifested in a Bible class meeting on Thursday evenings. This class started in January with ten members and has grown to almost three times that number. The interest in the study of the book of Genesis, is also growing. Our plan is to follow up the study book by book, until the whole is studied.

Respectfully,

ELLA MONTGOMERY,
No. 4, Mansfield, Ohio

FOURTH CHURCH, SPOKANE, WASHINGTON

There is something of a feeling of sadness when on the 31st day of

March each year the books are closed. Some invisible voice somewhere seems to say "Now give an account of your stewardship." Of course all along we have been giving our account to the Master, and He understands. Will the others understand too?

It somehow seems to me there should be a change of policy in some of our methods used to win the world for Christ. In the outlying districts of cities we frequently find poor little church buildings, no equipment, no money with which to do things, and an altogether inadequate number of workers. In spite of these conditions, we are required to meet a certain standard before the necessary help will be given. In the meantime there are boys and girls growing up neglected, some of them to become a menace to the state and to society.

Should work in these places be done by the United Presbyterian Church or should it be left to other churches?

United Presbyterians are supposed to be well trained in pious living, in loyalty to Christ, in loyalty to our U. S. A. They are supposed to have a working knowledge of the Scriptures. They undoubtedly belong to the "salt" of the earth. Who of others are better fitted than they to go into the neglected districts? But how can one carry on alone? Even in the beginning the Master sent out two and two.

In this community there are Catholics, Jews, Lutherans, Isms and "nothing at alls," principally "nothing at alls." Some at some time or place have been identified with some evangelical church but through neglect or indifference have drifted away. These are very hard to reclaim.

Throughout the year the meetings of the Sabbath School have been continued. Present enrollment 115. New Pupils 39. Officers and teachers 7. Junior Meetings held, 40. Have attended and helped in 15 L. M. S. and Women's Circle Meetings.

Other Presbyterial and Committee meetings 5. Special Days and Programs in the Sabbath School 7.

Conducted 7 Mission Study Classes. Worked on Interdenominational Committee of a week's study of Missions. Also acted as Presbyterial Secretary of Prayer Group. Conducted three weeks of Kindergarten school—enrollment 21. Have made 733 calls. Social affairs and hikes 17. Four of the Sabbath School pupils received one year pins. Eight received Bibles for six months attendance. Total offerings $285.

At the close of school in June we felt almost pulled up by the roots. Dr. White and two young men from Whitworth College who had been assisting us, and four families including some of the best workers we had, removed to other places. It was not until October that we secured the help of a retired United Brethren preacher and Mr. and Mrs. Anderson from the First Church.

LAURA SAWHILL,
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OKLAHOMA PRESBYTERY

During the past year the missionary served five months in Oklahoma City, from April to July.

Before Easter Communion which

was observed on Sabbath, April 12th I had the pleasure of teaching a communicants' class of fifteen fine young people. Twelve of these gave their hearts to Christ and united with the church; nine on profession and three by re-profession. We had seven adults and one infant baptized at this time. This was a day of large things in the church, the Sabbath School went five above its goal of 200.

The Women's Missionary Society with the help of the Sabbath School raised over $900 to pay a debt on the parsonage. During the last week of September, a Young Women's Missionary Society was organized. Now, we have three missionary societies in this congregation, doing good work.

June 26th was a day of joy and rejoicing, because of the installation of Rev. C. E. McStravick as pastor of this congregation. A reception of welcome was held for Rev. and Mrs. McStravick. We feel now we have splendid men in these fields. We pray God's blessing on the work and the workers in Oklahoma Presbytery.

A daily vacation Bible School was conducted in the church for four weeks; five days each week, from 9:00 to 12:00 a. m. with fine results.

The Presbyterial was held in Oklahoma City, September 13th to 16th. We had a very helpful meeting and a fine spirit of co-operation. A pageant entitled "Youth's Response" was given by our young people and juniors, which was very good and enjoyed by a large audience.

The second Sabbath of June was observed as "Childrens' Day." The church was decorated with beautiful flowers and the roses shed their fragrance around us, as we listened to the children while they spoke to us in song and the words of the poet. The church was well filled and everyone enjoyed the program.

On Sabbath, June 21st, three persons united with the church by letter. This makes fifteen added to the roll during my last five months in the city, but we cannot measure the Holy Spirit's work in the heart and life by cold figures.

The missionary taught a Bible study class once a week for three months, also taught the Juniors in the daily vacation Bible school during the month of June; had charge of five preaching services; had sixteen rehearsals at the church and made 595 calls.

July was vacation month but after I came back to Oklahoma City and served during August and September, I found out that I would have to give up the work that meant so much to me and rest several months. The Apostle Paul's words, Phil. 1:19 "I know that this shall turn to my salvation, through your prayers and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ" gave me much comfort. That is one way in which things that are seemingly hostile are made to be our servants. Other people pray for us and their prayers make us receptive to the supply of God's Spirit. The unfriendly circumstance bows at our feet, so we 'thank God and take courage' to go forward to greater things for Him in the future.

COLORADO PRESBYTERY

Through the kindness of the Women's Board, I have been appointed to serve in Colorado Presbytery since March 1st and am at work in Canon City, my first appointment. When I came Dr. Calhoun of Loveland was here holding a ten day period of evangelistic services. The Lord has owned and blessed this work in a wonderful way. Our services closed on Friday and on the Sabbath following, fourteen were received into the church. Twelve of these were on profession of faith; they included one entire family, and the father and mother in another family. Ten adults and five children were baptized at this time. There are many families not in touch with any church and we hope and pray that these may be won for Christ in the near future.

The work is very encouraging especially in the Sabbath School Enrollment, 107; average attendance, 81. The offering for four Sabbaths was $317.15, this amount goes to show that these people and their children have given more than the tithe, to close the church year out of debt. Six new scholars were added to the roll last month.

We have a fine superintendent, Mr. L. A. Duff, who is much enthused over the work, especially over the fine spirit of cooperation that exists in our school at this time.

Nine new members came into our Junior Missionary Society last week, making over thirty enrolled. Average attendance, 27; twenty-four members take the Junior Magazine.

We have a splendid Women's Missionary Society with two new members at the last meeting. Enrollment, 27; average attendance, 15; sixteen magazines are taken this year.

The missionary has made 196 calls in this field and 595 calls in Oklahoma City, making a total of 791 calls in the six months.

This mission is richly blessed in having Rev. and Mrs. Porter. We are all helped by the clear, forceful way Rev. Porter declares the whole counsel of God.

I am enjoying the work with them very much. With deep gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the privilege of being a co-worker with Him and to all friends who have prayed for me, I remain happy in His service.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH MCMILLAN
705 River St
Canon City, Colo.

The report of the missionary of Los Angeles Presbytery for the year ending April, 1925, was not in last year's Annual Report. The year was spent in the districts of the West Washington Church, the Culver City Church, and the Occidental Church in Eagle Rock.

I had hoped to help in the work of the Occidental Church, which was all planned by the pastor and workers for an active season, when I returned in February, 1925. But "who hath known the mind of the Lord?" For the end of February found me sick in the hospital. The good work in Occidental went on and in the autumn the Sabbath School had an enrollment of 230 and often an attendance of over 200.

The Committee of the Presbytery

has let me remain at Occidental, and through the mercy of God and the prayers of His people I am able to do more each month. In this comparatively new community there are many former church members who have become indifferent to the claims of Christ and His church. They do not attend any church of any denomination, but they will let the children come to our Sabbath School. Often when these children confess Christ as their Saviour and wish to join our church, the parents refuse to let them. These parents are glad to have a church in the neighborhood and are glad to receive the pastor and his wife in their homes. The excuse is often made that the children are too young to join a church. We pray that we may be able to keep these children in our Sabbath School until their parents not only consent to the children's coming into the church but will come with them.

In our prayer group of women which meets every Sabbath at 6:30 p. m., our Sabbath School and our young people occupy a large place in our hearts and in our prayers. May the Holy Spirit cease not, to plead with these people in this community, and may His kingdom be greatly strengthened here.

Sincerely,

ADA M. TRACY (MRS. JOS.)

PUGET SOUND PRESBYTERY

The mercies of a faithful God were manifest again during the year just closed. What a privilege and pleasure, too, to be a co-worker with the Master, and what an honor, and how wonderful to have the opportunity! For all these things we praise Him, and for continued blessing and guiding in the work. The giving out of His precious words of life in the different meetings, in the homes and in the Sabbath School, and, also, personally, we believe will yield a harvest of fruit now hidden from our eyes. To Him be all glory and from Him must come what ever blessing accrues to the hearers.

There was much that was cheering and gratifying along with the discouragements. We recognize as never before the value of prayer, and have reason for some hopefulness over the prospects of advance in this line. "Prayer is princely work"—far too princely for most of us. Would that we each might "stand in the lot of God's princeliest elect" at the end of our days.

We are very grateful for the help of kind friends in various way, in the various places where we labored in bodily weakness, for the most of a very busy year. How we longingly wished and prayed for a genuine work of the Holy Spirit to bring true spiritual life in the place of apathy and worldliness and flood the inner lives of God's professing children and workers with a very obvious joy and peace and zeal, and thus qualify them to make disciples and bring needy, hungering souls into joyous, friendly relations with the Saviour who is longing for love and loyalty and salvation. We cannot ignore the evident, constant, insistent demands for mission work when the subject looms up on every side unless our own discipleship is *not* a matter of conviction.

The first part of the year was filled with many duties pertaining to the

erecting of a new building (acting as Treasurer of the Buiding Fund) and the opening of the new mission—Puget Sound Chapel, South Tacoma, Washington; also, the building of additional class rooms at the main church, Tahoma Terrace; the gathering and superintending of a new Sabbath School while attending and helping in the main school and congregation. A tabulated report of the year would run approximately as follows:—

Places of work in Presbytery, East and West of the Mountains	4
Organizations effected	2
Vacation Bible School held 2 weeks of June and the month of July	
Addresses in pulpit	3
Sabbath School Classes taught	5
Pupils added	10
New families and pupils weekly	
Tracts distributed in daily calling	
Talks	20
Special meetings attended in Presbytery	4
Meetings attended	208
Meetings conducted	75
Series of meetings (19 uniting with church	1
Calls made	over 800

There were lectures, programs, contests, practices, socials, entertainments, sales, funerals to arrange for and attend and many errands daily. Reports, notes for weekly paper and much telephoning from time to time.

It was necessary to move eight times during the year.

"Nothing is eternal but that which is done for God and others."

In His name,

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Seattle, Wash.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FRENCHBURG MISSION

THE Frenchburg Mountain Mission School is closing its 17th year of work at the time of submitting this brief annual resume. They have been years of growth from the beginning. While the actual number of students reached is no greater, as the years pass, our other contacts with the mountain people, have multiplied, and our facilities for carrying on a manifold ministry have been greatly improved.

There are now, roughly speaking, nine branches of work, or rather, arms by which we work, in this field. They may be enumerated thus: Administrative and Business Office, School, Dormitory, Hospital, Church, Farm, Basket Shipping Room, Used Clothing Store, and The Christmas Gift Mission. At present these departments are all under the general oversight of the Superintendent, while he has full responsibility in three of them i. e. Church, Administrative and Business Office, and Basket Sales. In the other departments a very efficient group of missionaries carry the major portions of the labor and responsibity; Dr. Mitchell and Miss Lawton at the hospital, Professor Gordon, as principal at the School, Professor MacDowell, as manager at the farm, a committee of teachers at the clothing room, and Mrs. Shear and other teachers in the Christmas Gift Mission.

The business office handles all the funds of the institution under such heads as: provisions, fuel, repairs,

supplies for buildings, shop supplies, church offerings, student labor, student loans, scholarships, tuition and board accounts, clothing sales, basket sales, shop sales, State and County school funds, designated gifts, and undesignated gifts. A careful detailed report is given to the Women's Board at the end of each month. The accounts are audited annually by a certifed accountant in Pittsburgh. Total receipts of this office for the Church year 1925-26 were in round numbers $31,000. This does not take into account bills paid directly by the Women's Board to building contractors. The largest single item in these receipts is that for salaries, a total of $11,835.09 from Mrs. J. B. Hill, treasurer of the Board. Other items of interest are: board and tuition $4638.82, gifts for buildings and scholarships $2233.00, sales of clothing $1646.28, sales of baskets $1360.85. Two or three items of our expenditures will give an idea as to the size of the institution: for provisions for the dormitory $3,777.-82, for fuel and gasoline to heat and light the buildings $2122.06.

The school this year has had a total enrollment of 275. Of these 59 were in the High School. We have outgrown our High School facilities but are making the best of it by dividing classes and seating them in grade rooms for study during the congested months. The teaching force is as follows: 1st and 2nd grades Mrs. Clay Yocum, 3rd and 4th grades Miss Helen Chambers; 5th grade, Mr. M. H. McDowell; 6th grade, Mrs. H. Ray Shear; 7th grade, Miss Leda Stephens; 8th grade, Miss May Winter, High School, Professor Gordon, Miss Ruth Beattie, Miss Ada St. Clair, and Mrs. Jennie Lee Gordon. The building of the Hunting Memorial Industrial Shop has made possible the extension of our school courses to take in some vocational subjects. This work has been successful for the first year.

The student dormitory has been taxed to capacity for the greater part of the winter. Even the dormitory guest room had to be vacated in order to accomodate students. With the coming of "Crop time" in spring, several have left school, so that we close the year with only about 40 in the boarding department. Work has been provided for almost all these students, making it possible for them to earn their expenses in part. Eleven students have taken advantage of the Student Loan Fund to supplement their work. Several others, too young to be eligible for the Student Loan have been helped with scholarships. Altogether a total of 20 have received aid from loans and scholarships this year aside from the opportunity offered in the Student Labor. The dormitory has been under the efficient management of Miss Ada St. Clair, Miss Myrtle Davis and Mr. Mylo T. MacCallum.

An entirely new unit for the hospital, far eclipsing the old cottage hospital, and many times multiplying its usefulness, has been added during the year at a cost of over $16,-000.00. It is of brick and concrete, modern and convenient. Philadelphia Presbyterial has just within the past fortnight presented Dr. Mitchell with a Ford Roadster, fully equipped with all accessories. The hospital force, has been doubled by the coming of Miss Myra Lawton, R. N. to

assist Dr. Mitchell in her noble work. The hospital has cared for a large number of sick students this year and its usual number of patients from the community and county at large. We report with gratitude that there has been no widespread epidemic of dangerous disease, and the health of workers and students has been perhaps above normal.

The work of the Church has been carried on through the regular channels of our denomination, public worship, Sabbath School, Women's Missionary Society, Y. P. C. U., Junior Society. The congregation is organized with a Session and Board of Deacons. The session is at present composed of the pastor, Rev. H. Ray Shear, Rev. W. P. Gordon, principal of the school, and Prof. M. H. McDowell. The deacons are splendid men of the community, Mr. Charles Clark, Mr. John Ponder, Mr. Taylor Wigginton and Mr. Clay Yocum. These are men of the highest Christian character. Dr. A. W. Jamieson brought us a week of splendid messages during the fall of 1925. Eleven have been received into church fellowship this year. We report an active membership list of 75 persons. The congregation has contributed this year to missionary purposes $537.00 and to local expenses, notably our church building fund $843.-00. Total contributions were $1380.-00 an average of $18.40 per member. Plans are now being prepared by architect J. L. Beatty of Pittsburgh, for a new church, to be erected this summer.

The farm, under Mr. McDowell's management continues to enlarge its usefulness as a producer of food stuffs for the school, and as a Student Labor project. A second dairy barn has been built this year on the bench land above the valley, and a road graded in solid rock from the lower farm buildings to the upper. A combination garage and tool shed, and a combination hog pen and wagon shed have also been added to our equipment since our last annual report. Since that time, too, the electric plant has been installed at the farm and a feed grinder. A new Ford truck, one ton capacity, has added greatly to our efficiency in the matter of hauling to and from the station and the distant market town. In addition to our own land we are this year renting about 15 acres of good bottom land adjacent to the school farm, in order to increase our acreage for grain.

The basket room has had its usual sales, with perhaps a slight increase in net profit over last year. Mr. MacCallum, secretary to the Superintendent has taken full charge of this work.

The clothing sales have greatly exceeded the preceding years. From September 1, 1925 to May 1, 1926 the total sales have been $2140.00. This is double the sales for any year within the knowledge of the present administration. We are deeply grateful to the women of the United Presbyterian Church who have been so thoughtful. You have ministered to hundreds of poor people, and at the same time you have furnished a unique method of helping to finance this institution. The receipts from this department have supplied the coal, and kerosene and gasoline for heating all the buildings and running

the light plant to light them. In other words your cast off clothing has warmed and lighted a large institution for an entire year. The bill for fuel and gasoline and kerosene for heating and light plants was $2122.06

The Christmas Gift Mission sent out this year a record number of "family boxes." There were seventy-five. These go only to the very neediest homes. Each box contains many articles of new clothing, warm underwear, stockings, new goods for making dresses, books and toys and candy for the children, a warm coat for the mother etc. The average value of the boxes, estimated at a low figure, would be $10.00. This ministry, too, is due solely to the great kindness of individuals and classes and societies of our beloved churches of the North.

Other items of interest to the Church at large may be mentioned. The Garrett Highway, which is to open up this mountain section to the advantages of markets and make for a freer intermingling of peoples is now assured. Men in high authority in the state assure us that grading will begin between Mt. Sterling and Frenchburg this summer. At the last annual election a change in county officials brought about a new and better era of law enforcement. The bootleggers have taken to cover and the menace of whiskey is no longer rampant on the streets of our little mountain village.

We close this report with a word of regret over the resignation of Rev. W. P. Gordon who has guided the school, as its principal, for six years. A personal friendship has developed which makes it hard to say good bye. With him go also some of our beloved and respected teachers who, for various reasons, are compelled to give up the trying but blessed work of the mountain mission. God bless them for their faithfulness and untiring energy in the work here. The days ahead seem darker for their going.

H. RAY SHEAR

EZEL, KY.

The pioneer worker in this field, Mrs. J. C. Alter, was called to the bedside of her sick daughter in Oakland, Cal., in August, and has been caring for her ever since. We are happy to report that "my Margie," as the mother so lovingly calls her, is fully recovered the physicians in charge state. The present pastor and superintendent took charge of the work the latter part of August. The Ezel congregation was organized in May 1924 with 34 charter members. The annual report is an evidence of continued growth during the year. Communicants last year 42. Present number 63. Increase by profession 14. Increase by certificate 7. Adult baptisms 14. Payment on the budget $232. Specials to work abroad $70. Specials to work at home $70. To Women's Work $279. Included in this is the Thank-Offering of $102.50. Congregational expenses $98. Making a total of $749 or an average of 11.88 per member.

The Young People have been formally organized into a Christian Union Society with thirty-one charter members. This society contributed $10 toward the special fund, $35 to the Fowler Orphanage and $13 to other objects, making a total of $58. One

unique feature of the Sabbath School is that every member of the congregation is a member of the Sabbath School . Another is, that the whole congregation attends the Y. P. C. U. and that the latter all stay for the church service.

A new cement walk, the first in the village, is being laid from the street to the church, a distance of almost 250 feet. The women have raised the money to purchase the material by making and selling tufted bedspreads, and the men donate the work.

Plans have been approved and bids are being taken for the new school building to be erected adjoining the teachers home. We hope to have it ready for the opening of school in September. A class of sixteen graduated from the eighth grade in May, most of whom will enter high school. The third year will be added to the high school this fall, which necessitates an additional teacher. The Women's Club conducts the only reading room in the county. Additional books and magazines will be appreciated. The people are eager for religious and educational advantages. We covet the prayers of the church for this work.

Respectfully,

REV. HOWARD M. BRITTAIN

We close this report with hearts full of gratitude for all that has been accomplished by each worker on our roll in what ever station located. And to all individuals and societies making special gifts of scholarships, furnishing rooms in the new hospital at Frenchburg, for Christmas boxes and donations of second hand clothing, we are truly grateful. We would mention especially the bequest of one thousand dollars for a scholarship in the Frenchburg School, the income of which is to be used to help worthy mountain boys and girls in obtaining a Christian education. This fund is called "The S. A. Buck Scholarship." We would also, mention a memorial of four hundred dollars given for the Ezel school, in memory of Mr. William W. Donald, by his nieces Margaret M. and Jane B. Donald, of Carnegie, Pa.

Many smaller gifts have been received, thus enabling us to erect the new hospital and the Olive Hunting Memorial Shop at Frenchburg, and to secure the necessary equipment for the same. For all of which we are truly grateful.

Our new work for the coming year will be the erection of the new church at Frenchburg, which is to be built from the Life Directorship Fund, and the erection of the new school building at Ezel from the Junior Life Membership Funds. Thus the Juniors all over our church will have a part in the erection of the school to help educate the children in that mountain section.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance April 15, 1925	$22,245.14
Receipts	45,477.09
Disbursements	52,220.59
Balance April 15, 1926	15,501.64

NEW WORLD MOVEMENT

Balance April 15, 1925	$ 684.68
Receipts	6,760.46
Disbursements	1,000.00
Balance	6,445.14

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. WM. S. COOK
Home Mission Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1926

THIS year, 1926, brings to the Women's General Missionary Society, the fortieth anniversary of the organization of its Board of Directors. The fifteen women comprising the first Board were elected in May, 1886, at the convention held that year in the Second Church, Allegheny. At the organization of the Board shortly after, Miss E. J. Sloan was chosen Treasurer. For eighteen and one-half years, she served in that capacity, rendering most efficient, devoted, and valuable service. As the work of the W. G. M. S. steadily grew, and the funds increased, the name of Miss E. J. Sloan became a synonym for accuracy and integrity.

December 10, 1904, on account of ill health and contemplated absence from home, Miss Sloan tendered her resignation as Treasurer. It was accepted by the Board with reluctance and deep regret. Her interest in the work, however, continued through all the years since, until February 8, 1926, when she was called to the heavenly home. "Her works do follow her." The neatness and accuracy of her books, and her conscientious service have ever been an inspiration to her successor, and the work to which she gave so much time and thought during its early days has gone steadily forward. At the close of her first year, Miss Sloan reported that the year's receipts amounted to $4,870.70. Year by year they increased, and her last report, for the year ending April 15, 1904, shows they had grown to $100,295.70.

As we come today to consider the work of the past year and take this backward glance to the early days of the work, we are led to exclaim, "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad. Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy great name do Thou the glory take. Who is like unto Thee, O Jehovah, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders?"

The total actual receipts for the year ending April 15, 1926 amounted to $636,544.59. While owing chiefly to a marked decrease in the contributions to the New World Movement, these receipts are $3,650.02 less than those of the previous year, it is most gratifying to note that the receipts from Presbyterial, exclusive of their Thank-Offering, are $11,704.70 in excess of those of the year before.

The remittances from the 58 presbyterials societies total $157,632.63, thirty-nine making very substantial gains over their offerings of the previous year.

The 1924 Thank-Offering, which is included in the receipts for the year, amounted to $162,403.05, an increase over that of 1923, making the 1924 offering second to the Mary Clokey Porter Offering of 1920, the largest ever given. The amount of this offering was reported at the last convention, and was distributed to the various departments of work as follows: To Foreign Missions, $88,000; to salaries $219; to Home Missions, $20,000; to Indian Missions, $1,000; to Freedmen's Missions, $15,000; to Parsonages, $5,000; to Ministerial Relief, $2,144.33, and $27,110

as designated to Life Membership and Life Directorship fees.

From the receipt of the Thank-Offering until its distribution it was on interest, in separate bank deposits. The accrued interest, with the convention offering and the money received from the sale of Thank-Offering supplies, amounted to $3,701.72 and at distribution of the Thank-Offering was placed in our expense account to help defray expenses incurred in furnishing boxes and free literature for this department.

The New World Movement receipts for the year totalled $172,021.44, being $16,433.50 less than those of the preceding year. $153,139.36 came through the treasurer of the New World Movement Fund, and $18,882.08 through presbyterial and congregational treasurers and from interest. This fund was distributed to the various departments in the ratio of their askings, and except in the case of salaries, the amount received by each is stated on the report under the heading of New World Movement funds of the department. $36,196.53 was designated for foreign salaries, and was applied to the salary of the individual missionaries for whom given and is included in the receipts for Foreign salaries.

During the year $7,658.18 was received in Legacies; $415.91 from the estate of Esther J. Hickman; $100 from Mrs. Effie Barnes Tollett, the wife of Rev. C. W. Tollett of the Southern Presbyterian Church, in Henderson, Tenn.; $50.00 for the Fowler Orphanage, Cairo, and $50.00 for the Home of Friendless Women, in Gurdaspur, India; $3000 from Ellen Heslep through the treasurer of Westmoreland Presbyterial; $1500 to endow a room in the George Memorial Hospital, Abyssinia, and $1500 to endow a room in the Frenchburg Hospital; $1000 from the estate of Emma J. McWilliams, of Greensburg, Pa., income only to be used and applied to Home and Foreign Missions; $372.00 from Mary Ann Riddle of Knoxville, O., for Home and Foreign Missions; $1000 from Mrs. H. E. Buck, Salem, Oregon, the income to provide a scholarship for Frenchburg, to be known as the "S. E. Buck Scholarship;" $200.00 from Mrs. Jennie Christie of Butler, Pa.; $411.74 from Elizabeth Bell, of Du Bois, Pa.; $158.53 from Clara J. Brown of Eaton, Ohio; and $300 from Mrs. Elizabeth Walker to endow a bed in Sargodha Hospital.

These devoted servants of the Master thus provided that when called from earthly activities, the influence of their lives should continue to bear fruit in the vineyard of the Lord.

Such gifts are always appreciated, accepted as evidence of the Lord's provision for His work, and very carefully used as directed by donor.

THE ISAIAH FUND

The Isaiah Fund, created in order that presbyterials unable to bear the entire expense of sending a delegate to the annual convention might receive assistance, has made possible a fuller representation of presbyterials at our annual meeting. Last year contributions to it amounted to $1799.55. Ten presbyterials taking advantage of the aid afforded, have sent delegates to this convention, and through their reports will share in the information and inspiration of this meeting. Presbyterials desiring help from the Isaiah Fund should have

their application in the hands of the chairman of the Isaiah Committee by February, and the name and address of the delegate should be sent early in April. Remittances are made in plenty of time for the delegate to be on hand for the opening of the Convention.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

During the year $7572.33 was received for our Ministerial Relief Department. This fund is used in relieving distress and suffering, and carries comfort into the homes of afflicted and bereaved servants of the Master, strengthening their faith in God's promise of help in every time of trouble. It also enables us to extend aid to our workers at home and abroad who are disabled by age or broken down by sickness. Last year $4,467.20 was disbursed for these purposes, thus honoring the Master, who has said, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these my brethren, ye did it unto me."

THE LIFE DIRECTORSHIPS

This roll now contains seventy names, thirty-four on the Active Roll and thirty-six on the Memorial Roll, one having been added to the Active Roll and three to the Memorial Roll since last convention. The names added to the latter are Mr. George Lysle and Mrs. Margaret McIlvaine Lysle, by their granddaughter, Mrs. Anna M. L. McLain, of Claysville, Pa., and Ida M. McClure, by her sister. The name of Mrs. George Sterling of Steubenville, Ohio, was added to the Active Roll by the Women's Missionary Society of Steubenville. Three hundred dollars will place any name on this roll.

Shortly after the close of our last convention, Mrs. George Moore, the loved editor of our Women's Missionary Magazine, was called to her crowning in the heavenly home. It was thought fitting that the memory of this consecrated servant should be perpetuated through a memorial of some kind, and it was decided to ask the friends of the Magazine for a fund of not less than $10,000, to be known as "The Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund," the income to be used to provide illustrations for the Magazine. At the close of our fiscal year every presbyterial except one had contributed something to the Fund, and generous gifts have been received from individuals. April 15, 1926, there had been received $4,547.61, and $3,225 had been invested at 6 per cent. We are hoping that the coming year will see the fund reach the $10,000 mark.

We are grateful to the congregations and individuals who have contributed so loyally to the salary and support of missionaries, and to the Women's Bible classes who have been giving their money to the support of Bible women.

The actual disbursements for the year total $639,682.11. More than $180,000 was used in paying the salaries of workers in the home land and the foreign fields. Almost $119,000 was used in the erection and equipment of buildings and $8,854 was spent for insurance. The support of schools and hospitals required almost $110,000 and $47,941.63 was loaned to congregations to secure parsonages.

With gratitude, and yet with humility, we are pleased to report that

again the Lord has enabled us to meet our obligations during the year, and to close every department, except one, with a credit balance with which to enter upon the work of the New Year.

The total balance seems a large one, but in analyzing it we find it includes $68,000 New World Movement Funds belonging to six departments. It also includes $41,000 of building funds. This leaves about $79,000 with which to enter upon the work of the New Year and $43,384 of that belongs to the salaries of individual missionaries and can be used for no other purpose. The lean months of the year, June, July and August, will more than exhaust that balance.

Again we wish to thank our efficient presbyterial treasurers for their very helpful service. Their interest in the work, their thoughtfulness, their prompt and regular remittances, and their kind words are all most deeply appreciated.

In closing the year, we gratefully acknowledge the guidance of our Heavenly Father, and thank Him for the opportunity to spend and be spent in His service, and for His continued blessing upon our labors.

"Master, make us always willing,
Give us hearts to love Thee best;
May Thy service be our freedom,
May Thy yoke become our rest."

MRS. J. B. HILL

MAGAZINE DAY

Mark it on your calendar

SABBATH, OCTOBER 3

We shall ask every pastor in the United Presbyterian Church, on that day to "help those women" who "publish the tidings."

Let every society plan definitely to present the claims of the Womens Missionary Magazine to all the women of the congregation.

ANNUAL REPORT
—OF THE—
TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
—OF THE—
Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America

TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1926

	Balance Apr. 15, 1925				Balance Apr. 15, 1926	
	Dr.	Cr.	Receipts	Disbur'ts	Dr.	Cr.
Foreign Missions, General		4806.31	148145.47	148217.93		4733.85
Foreign Missions, N. W. M.,		30178.14	130411.37	114105.00		46479.51
Foreign Missions Salaries,		40906.32	120948.78	118471.09		43384.01
Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot,		255.82	533.00	650.00		138.82
Girls' Boarding School, Sangla Hill,		161.45	273.00	350.00		84.45
Girls' Boarding School, Luxor		332.59	399.00	490.00		241.59
Girls' Boarding School, Sargodha,		327.00	50.00	250.00		127.00
Girls' Boarding School, Gardaspur,		2195.00	111.14			2306.14
Girls' Boarding School, Tanta		16095.13	41721.45	51477.47		6339.11
Girls' Boarding School, Pasrur			115.00	25.00		90.00
Sialkot Hospital,		1675.66	805.80	1042.36		1439.10
Jhelum Hospital		296.48	816.12	870.00		242.60
Tanta Hospital,		8153.92	1297.90	1006.79		8445.03
Sargodha Hospital,		17.16	956.21	109.00		864.37
Abyssina Hospital	8954.53		13738.68	12661.41	7877.26	
Foreign Missions, Special,		641.79	4622.15	4659.15		604.79
Home Missions, General		22245.14	47477.09	54220.59		15501.64
Home Missions, N. W. M.,		684.68	6760.46	1000.00		6445.14
Indian Missions, U. S.,		9217.60	7257.50	11987.28		4487.82
Indian Missions, U. S., N. W. M.,		660.05	344.04	364.26		639.83
Freedmen's Mission, General,		31170.72	25956.41	48759.69		8367.44
Freedmen's Missions N. W. M.		6501.44	8466.78	5037.00		9931.22
Church Extension and Parsonage,		13206.14	37103.12	40041.63		10267.63
Church Extension and Parsonage N. W. M.		5491.42	3818.87	8000.00		1310.29
Junior Special,			4348.04	4348.04		
Young Women's Special,			8328.57	8328.57		
Ministerial Relief,		1502.02	7572.33	4467.20		4607.15
Orphan's Home, Allegheny,			1404.00	1404.00		
Columbia Hospital,			499.00	499.00		
Aged Peoples' Home,			412.00	412.00		
Thank Offering,						
Contingent Fund,		35.82	13334.60	11923.76		1446.66
Contingent Fund, N. W. M.,		2620.40	1918.04	1500.00		3038.44
Life Memberships, Senior,		7984.59	27914.12	22725.00		13173.71
Life Memberships, Junior		1716.56	7487.75	4722.60		4481.71
Life Directorships,		1476.29	4161.22	3000.00		2637.51
Temperance,		2788.52	2350.21	3868.30		1270.43
Loan Investments,	26999.68		2366.73		24632.95	
Legacies,			7658.18	6372.00		1286.18
Women's Missionary Magazine,			230.00	230.00		
Investment Income,		402.13	55985.03	56387.16		
Annuities,			19900.00	19800.00		100.00
Annuity Expense			9232.95	9232.95		
Junior Magazine Reserve,			60.00	60.00		
War Bonus,						
India Permanent Equipment,		8308.64	412.00			8720.64
"407" Fund,		272.72	50.00	160.00		162.72
Isaiah 41:6.		3907.76	1799.55	1483.00		4224.31
New World Movement,		8650.00	172021.44	172021.44		8650.00
Rest Home Ramleh		919.97	82.44			1002.41
Surplus Fund		750.00				750.00
Pasrur Hospital for Christians,			423.00			423.00
Mrs. Geo. Moore Memorial,			4547.61	3225.00		1322.61
TOTAL	35954.21	236550.38	956628.15	959965.67	32510.21	229768.86
Less Bonds Included as Cash		8850.00		200.00		8650.00
		227700.38	956628.15	959765.67		221118.86
Less Transfer of Funds,			320083.56	320083.56		
	35954.21	227700.38	636544.59	639682.11	32510.21	221118.86

Cash Balance on Hand April 15, 1925	191746.17
Receipts for Fiscal year ending April 15, 1926	636544.59
TOTAL	828290.76
Disbursements for the Fiscal year ending April 15, 1926	639682.11
Cash Balance on Hand April 15, 1926	188608.65

Above statement includes in the receipts the amount of the Thank-Offering for 1924.

ANNUITIES

Bonds Outstanding April 15, 1925	152216.11
Bonds Issued from April 15, 1925 to Apr. 15, 1926	19900.00
	172116.11
Lapsed from April 15, 1925 to April 15, 1926	6400.00
Bonds Outstanding April 15, 1926	165716.11

I hereby certify that the above statements and the accounts of Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treasurer, from which they are taken, including bank deposits and securities owned, are correct and true for the fiscal year ending April 15, 1926.

A. F. SAWHILL, Auditor.

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Report of Contributions to the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America

April 15, 1925 to April 15, 1926

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions	Foreign Salaries	Home Missions	Indian Missions	Freedmen's Missions	Ch. Ex. and Parsonage	Junior Special	Young Women's Special	Ministerial Relief	Contingent Fund	Women's Association	Life Members	Life Directors	Isaiah	Temperance	New World	Mrs. Moore Memorial Fund	Miscellaneous	TOTAL
Albany	271.00	260.00	114.00	46.50	48.50	32.00	31.00	33.00	33.00	9.95	3.00			23.85	27.00		51.00		983.80
Allegheny	4336.00	4531.00	1569.00	590.00	834.00	396.00	766.00	591.00	426.00	180.00				142.00	427.00	4335.00	354.00		19423.00
Argyle	119.00	605.00	821.00	21.00	22.00	12.00	35.00	67.00	13.00	10.50	6.00			14.00	14.00		10.75		1770.25
Arkansas Valley	138.00	600.00	96.00	49.00	72.00	33.00	66.00	57.00	28.00	22.10	20.00			18.20	20.00	776.00	14.00		2009.30
Beaver Valley	2023.00	850.00	756.00	275.00	541.00	205.00	117.00	383.00	211.00	76.00				78.00	115.00	887.00	205.00		6722.00
Big Spring	257.50	697.00	104.00	51.00	55.00	16.00	39.00	12.00	17.00	10.00	10.00			11.00	14.00	2.00			1295.50
Boston	676.00	800.00	98.00	48.00	62.00	9.00	30.00	25.00	14.00	16.25				35.00	18.00		114.85		1946.10
Butler	686.00	800.00	584.00	270.00	286.00	184.00	169.00	312.00	206.00	62.00	418.00			71.00	146.00	221.00	78.35	200.00	4693.35
Caledonia	207.00	794.00	298.00	122.00	149.00	53.00	69.00	270.00	56.00	25.00	75.00			25.00	44.00	3.00	107.00		2297.00
Cedar Rapids	121.00	625.00	62.00	127.00	36.00	27.00	62.00	89.00	30.00	19.00	15.00			4.00	8.00	600.00	36.00		1861.00
Chartiers	654.00	2227.00	1377.00	303.00	433.00	138.50	265.00	497.00	159.00	73.70	225.00			58.50	101.50	666.00	183.30		7361.50
Chicago	359.00	800.00	277.00	126.00	162.00	93.00	85.00	136.00	110.00	28.45	97.00			39.70	58.00	32.00	96.75		2499.90
Cleveland	1039.00	955.00	712.00	269.00	303.00	212.00	244.00	417.00	204.00	55.00	93.00			51.00	77.00	21.00	126.90		4828.90
College Springs	187.75	1637.00	132.75	81.00	69.00	30.00	106.00	80.00	41.00	92.55	43.00			28.00	28.00	4.00	28.00		2588.05
Colorado	456.65	785.00	167.00	128.00	137.00	68.00	40.50	193.00	67.00	28.00				24.00	32.00		15.00		2141.15
Concordia	18.00	86.00	21.00	11.00	8.00	2.00		13.00	7.00	2.00				8.00	3.00	10.00	5.10		194.10
Conemaugh	80.00	756.00	162.00	40.00	54.00	16.00	42.00	118.00	23.00	28.10	36.00			24.50	26.00		152.80		1558.40
Delaware	235.00	1097.00	190.00	71.00	135.00	12.00	45.00	147.92	21.00	26.75	20.00			14.00	19.00	1.00	28.90		2068.57
Des Moines	111.00	632.50	138.00	62.00	86.00	41.00	11.90	104.00	51.00	23.00	18.00			23.00	20.00	9.00	35.00		1365.40
Detroit	422.00	12.00	232.00	80.00	129.00	48.00		43.00	41.00	12.00	51.00			9.00	21.00		13.60		1113.60
Frankfort	62.00	304.25	43.00	7.00	19.00				2.00	4.25				4.00			3.00		448.50
Garnett	32.00	207.00	39.00	26.00	19.00	13.00	22.00	12.00	11.00	9.05				10.00	4.00	1.00	22.00		427.05
Hudson	255.00	800.00	213.00	35.00	50.00	12.00	14.00	40.00	41.00	7.00	43.00			21.00	8.00	1.00	56.00		1596.00
Idaho	34.00	57.00	28.00	9.00	13.00	6.00	2.00	5.00	10.00	4.00	3.00			7.00	1.00		1.00		180.00
Illinois Southern	130.00	1129.00	143.00	69.00	72.00	40.00	58.00	116.00	49.00	34.45	44.00			23.40	42.00		95.25		2045.10
Indiana	59.00	720.00	99.00	29.00	66.00	23.00	33.00	39.00	26.00	17.30	22.00			10.00	21.00		25.00		1189.30
Indiana Northern	27.00	24.50	22.00	13.00	14.00	8.00	4.00		9.00	9.35	20.00			17.00	5.00	14.00	18.00		204.85
Kansas City	225.00	300.00	233.00	76.00	104.00	41.00	37.00	65.00	45.00	18.25	54.00			26.00	32.00	1.00	39.25		1296.50
Keokuk	122.00	390.00	244.00	48.00	67.00	25.00	26.00	58.00	31.00	21.00	10.00			22.00	23.00	1.00	70.30		1158.30
Kiskiminetas	421.00	294.00	345.00	117.00	160.00	72.00	57.00	142.00	111.00	31.75				35.50	41.00	257.00	61.00		2261.25
Lake	234.00	727.00	285.00	101.00	184.00	57.00	39.00	212.00	91.00	32.70				19.00	44.00	7.00	60.00		2107.70
Los Angeles	688.00	800.00	380.00	156.00	199.00	122.00	66.00	206.00	133.00	34.20				33.00	70.00		164.50		3051.70
Mansfield	137.00	299.00	157.00	81.00	96.00	22.00	42.00	62.00	25.00	16.35	29.00			16.00	18.00	224.00	34.00		1258.35
Mercer	308.00	703.65	136.00	110.00	127.00	45.00	60.00	162.00	38.00	20.00	83.00			25.00	23.00	1.00	24.50		1866.15
Monmouth	179.00	993.00	218.00	81.00	123.00	33.00	58.00	144.00	51.00	20.00	14.00			23.35	33.00	947.00	39.25		2956.60
Monongahela	3309.00	10334.50	3491.00	768.00	1860.00	489.00	630.00	1366.00	517.00	175.00				202.00	264.00	397.50	468.25		24271.25
Muskingum	318.00	1600.00	211.00	115.00	128.50	69.00	86.55	229.00	97.00	52.00	46.00			44.00	40.00		76.50		3112.55
New York	17.00		2.00	2.00	2.00					2.60				5.00			10.00		40.60
Ohio First	286.00	700.00	314.00	113.00	165.00	112.00	63.00	152.00	101.00	30.20	26.00			27.03	35.00	605.00	127.31		2856.54
Oklahoma	140.00	75.00	129.00	37.00	57.00	21.00	8.00	25.00	23.00	10.00	15.00			20.00	17.00	5.00	23.00		605.00
Omaha	111.00	6.00	87.00	47.00	56.00	37.00	8.00	50.00	50.00	15.20				11.00	18.00	450.00	16.00		962.20
Oregon	162.00	795.00	97.00	42.00	58.00	31.00	16.00	9.00	43.00	17.00	9.00			27.00	21.00		21.00		1348.00
Pawnee	82.25	488.35	116.25	42.00	43.00	27.00	9.00	49.65	31.00	14.70				15.00	13.00	99.00	11.00		1041.20
Philadelphia	737.00	1717.00	1280.00	212.00	216.00	117.00	215.00	407.00	142.00	51.60				59.00	66.00	12.00	179.50		5411.10

Philadelphia	737.00	1717.00	1280.00	212.00	216.00	117.00	215.00	407.00	142.00	51.60				59.00	66.00	12.00	179.50		5411.10
Puget Sound	224.00	354.00	103.00	59.00	75.00	48.00	31.00	34.00	45.00	14.00	18.00			56.00	21.00	3.00	11.00		1096.0
Rock Island	180.00		193.90	70.00	70.00	33.00	24.00	138.00	50.00	19.55	31.00			21.00	31.00	1200.00	16.90		2078.3
San Francisco	598.00	747.00	121.00	62.00	68.00	42.00	36.00	29.00	50.00	13.80	51.00			23.00	30.00	2.00	55.00		1927.8
Sidney	228.00		97.00	54.00	67.00	15.00	37.00	11.00	13.00	14.80	7.00			6.00	12.00	957.00	16.00		1534.8
Spokane	94.00	170.00	62.00	25.00	57.00	19.00	7.00	27.00	19.00	11.00	9.00			11.00	11.00		5.00		527.0
Steubenville	560.83	819.00	176.00	72.00	122.00	40.00	44.09	232.00	51.00	30.00	90.00			40.60	25.00	105.00	80.00		2487.5
Tennessee	183.00		25.00	20.00	48.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	11.00	3.70	9.00			11.00	6.00		46.00		387.7
Texas	33.00	175.00	37.00	14.00	29.00	19.00	14.00	15.00	13.00	7.75	17.00			19.75	12.00		8.00		413.5
Uncompahgre	21.00	30.00	20.00		6.00	6.00			6.00	2.00				6.00	3.00		7.50		107.5
Vermont	64.00		64.50	31.00	31.00									14.50			10.00		215.0
Westmoreland	654.00	2750.00	814.00	267.00	354.00	283.00	197.00	374.00	249.00	35.90				65.60	68.00		180.20	3000.00	9291.7
Wheeling	453.00	800.00	313.00	95.00	173.00	72.00	25.00	78.00	87.00	32.00	24.00			36.00	26.00	4.00	62.00		2280.0
Wisconsin	82.00	200.00	96.00	38.00	43.00	18.00	52.00	42.00	31.00	9.00	12.00			9.00	19.00	2.00	38.80		691.8
Xenia	938.00	1645.00	431.00	153.00	188.00	131.00	86.00	155.00	95.00	20.00	93.00			28.00	22.00	15.00	182.30		4182.3
Cochranton & Utica Congs.	100.00	450.00																	550.0
Anna A. Milligan		400.00																	400.0
Mr. and Mrs. Archie Morrison																400.00			400.0
New Wilmington Cong.		800.00																	800.0
Marissa Cong.		200.00																	200.0
Norris Square S. S.		800.00																	800.0
North Bend Cong.		700.00																	700.0
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ramsey		800.00																	800.0
Roch. N. Y. Cong. Bible Sc.		600.00																	600.0
Sparta Cong.		800.00																	800.0
Third Church, Pgh.		1000.00																	1000.0
First Toledo Cong.																66.66			66.6
Traer Cong.		300.00																	300.0
2d Wash. Ia. Cong.																600.00			600.0
Walton Sabbath Sc.		400.00																	400.0
Dr. & Mrs. W. P. Wiegering		800.00																	800.0
McKeesport W. M. S. & Y. W. M. S.		200.00																	200.0
Warm Spring Cong.	53.00		32.00	33.00	32.00														150.0
McClellan Hts. Cong.																500.00			500.0
Martha Lockhart Mason Fund																592.92			592.9
Industrial Dept.					396.80														396.8
Ret. on Loan Inv'sts	21875.00																	2366.78	23741.7
Parsonage Repayments						26892.62													26892.6
India Perm. Equip.																		412.00	412.0
Annuities																		19900.00	19900.0
Legacies																		4046.44	4046.4
Investment Income																		55985.03	55985.0
Interest	429.28		50.00							7741.02						153139.36			8220.3
New World Move. Com.																			153139.3
Refunds	1485.95	235.65	2913.58	13.00	342.50				265.50					48.07	10.71				5314.9
Indv., Classes, etc.	4251.04	895.00	633.75	145.00	26.00	250.00			7.50	.06	100.00					553.00	527.00	411.74	7800.0
1924 Thank Offering	88000.00	219.00	20000.00	1000.00	15000.00	5000.00	3.00		2144.33	3701.72	175.00	24110.00	3000.00			50.00			162403.0
Actual Receipts	140479.25	60303.40	42405.73	7257.50	24648.30	35923.12	4348.04	8328.57	6572.33	13054.60	2315.00	24110.00	3000.00	1799.55	2350.21	168779.44	4547.61	86321.94	636544.5
Lapsed Annuities	5250.00		1150.00																6400.0
Young Women's Special Transfer	4350.00	1298.57	1780.00		900.00														8328.5
Junior Special Transfer	4348.04																		4348.0
Legacies Transfer	1686.00		1686.00																3372.0
Investment Income Transfer	6173.26	3750.28	455.36		408.11	1080.00				280.00		11091.87	1161.22			3242.00		9522.95	37165.0
Foreign N. W. M. Transfer	44125.00	19200.00																	63325.0
Misc. Transfers	6722.60	200.00				100.00			1000.00									200.00	8222.6
Total	213134.15	84752.25	47477.09	7257.50	25956.41	37103.12	4348.04	8328.57	7572.33	13334.60	2315.00	35201.87	4161.22	1799.55	2350.21	172021.44	4547.61	96044.89	767705.8
N. W. M. Trapsfers	114702.28	36196.53	6760.46	344.04	8231.22	3818.87				1918.04								50.00	172021.4
Investment Income Transfer	16665.30				235.56														16900.8
GRAND TOTAL	344501.73	120948.78	54237.55	7601.54	34423.19	40921.99	4348.04	8328.57	7572.33	15252.64	2315.00	35201.87	4161.22	1799.55	2350.21	172021.44	4547.61	96094.89	956628.1

ENDOWMENTS

MARTHA J. McKOWN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, TANTA, EGYPT

Mrs. I. H. Jamison	$1,000.00
John Denham and sisters	1,000.00
Mrs. O. E. P. Stokes	1,000.00
Junior Missionary Society	1,000.00
Mary Gettis Carson	1,000.00
Margaret Armstrong Carson	1,000.00
Mrs. Eliza Clokey	1,000.00
Argyle O. Y. P. C. U.	1,000.00
W. M. S., Chartiers Presbytery	1,000.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	1,000.00
Mrs. Mary B. Reid	1,000.00
Margaret Louise Dales	1,000.00
Rev. William Harvey, D. D.	1,000.00
Mrs. Margaret McKallor	1,000.00
Eleanor Porterfield	1,000.00
Rev. Alexander McLeod Milligan	1,000.00
Mrs. Lucy Young	1,000.00
Florence L. Gibson	1,000.00

GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL, JHELUM, INDIA

Anna Reid	600.00
Mrs. Sarah A. Reed	600.00
Mrs. Ellen Dean	600.00
Miss Lulu Dean	600.00
Mrs. I. H. Jamison & Miss Herron	600.00
Gordon Memorial	600.00
Mrs. Martha E. Wilson	600.00
M. A. Krohn	600.00
W. M. S., Mercer Presbytery	600.00
Junior Missionary Society	1,000.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	350.00
C. D. Bent	600.00
Paul Krohn	600.00
Junior Life Membership	350.00
Florence L. Gibson	600.00

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SIALKOT, INDIA

Mrs. Mary B. Reid	600.00
Three (3) Junior Life Memberships	1,050.00
Isabel Milligan	600.00
Margaret Williams	350.00
Jane Anita Milligan	350.00
Margaret Williams	350.00
Mrs. A. M. Stewart	650.00
Mr. J. M. Stewart	350.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Adair Currie	600.00
Edith M. Fulton	600.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	350.00
Mrs. Ella Easton McGowan	600.00
Mrs. Brown	600.00
Florence L. Gibson	600.00

WHITE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PASRUR, INDIA

Xenia W. M. S.	600.00
Florence L. Gibson	600.00

JUBILEE HOSPITAL, HENDERSON, N. C.

Junior Life Membership	500.00

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, TANTA, EGYPT

Ruth Warnock Scholarship	1,000.00

GEORGE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, ADDIS ABABA, ABYSSINIA

Mrs. Mary J. Webb Baird	500.00
Mrs. Margaret Maybon Bryce	1,000.00
Robert Collins Dornan	1,000.00
Mrs. Anna Moore Hibben	500.00
Miss Belle McConnell	500.00
Rochester, N. Y., Bible School	500.00
Miss Sarah J. Armstrong	500.00
Miss Ellen Heslep	1,500.00
Miss Melinda Pressley	500.00

Beds: Samuel Young, Mrs. Margaret Klein, Theodora and Mary Barr, Helen Gilmore, Margaret T. Sawvell.

MEMORIAL FUNDS.

Mary B. Ashton	$13,634.90
Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Clark	500.00
Maggie J. Hill	1,900.00
Margaret Simpson	5,000.00
Mary Clokey Porter	9,224.13
Avis Cornelia White	2,500.00
Robert Telford	950.00
Eliza McCartney	100.00
Elizabeth Harvey	7,000.00
Ida M. Crothers	9,914.86
Emma J. McWilliams	2,000.00
S. A. Buck Scholarship	1,000.00
Mrs. George Moore	4,547.61

Income only of above memorial funds to be used.

LIFE ANNUITY BONDS

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 1, 1926

ONE of the greatest encouragements the Women's Board has in its work is to have unmistakable evidence from time to time that the Lord is planning for the future development and support of the work committed to the Women's General Missionary Society.

One of the ways in which the future of our work is provided for, is by the issuance of what is known as Annuity Bonds. The Lord, who knows the needs of the work, both present and future, puts it into the hearts of His people from time to time, when they are arranging their "households" and planning to leave this world for the better country, to remember the work of His Kingdom in the disposition of their earthly funds. This is often done through bequests, but a much better way, in our opinion, is to arrange for the same thing by the purchase of Annuity Bonds, thereby saving all lawyer's fees, court charges, inheritance taxes, etc.

During the year just closed we have issued fourteen Annuity Bonds. Two are for five thousand dollars each, one for two thousand, one for fifteen hundred, four for one thousand each, one for seven hundred, one for six hundred, one for five hundred one for four hundred and two for one hundred each, making a total of $19,900.00.

The annuitants, in making application for the bond, specify what their desire is concerning the disposition of the money when they have gone to their heavenly home. These letters are filed and the wishes of the annuitants faithfully carried out to the very letter.

During the year just closed, three of our annuitants have gone where the gold and silver of the earth are no longer needed. Mrs. Jane Slemmons, of New Wilmington, Pa., was one of our very earliest annuitants. She was interested in every branch of the Master's work and one of the most loyal adherents of and intercessors for the work of the Women's General Missionary Society. Miss Slemmons' money was designated for Foreign Missions, as the Board might direct. She is greatly missed by her surviving sister and a large circle of sorrowing friends and relatives. She went from service to reward October 16, 1925.

The next to hear the Master's call to come up higher was Miss Martha A. Miller, of Grove City, Pa. She had taken out two bonds at different times. She was so well satisfied with the first that she manifested her confidence and gratification by taking out a second. Her money was designated for Abyssinia Hospital and Home Missions. She went from earth to heaven November 27, 1925 and was a great loss to her congregation and community.

The third was Mrs. Emma Mossman, of Sterling, Kansas. Her money was designated for Foreign Missions and has been used therefor. She bade farewell to earth February 25, 1926.

Another name well known to us and one of our earliest annuitants was Mrs. Jennie Bleakney of Grove

City, Pa. Her money was designated for work among the people of the mountains in Kentucky and was so used. We regret that we have not the correct date of her death, but we wish to record her name with gratitude and appreciation, urging all who are in any way connected with our annuitants to let us know as soon as possible after they are deceased, that the money may be at once applied to the object designated by the annuitant.

We commend the example of these four sainted women to others of our church, because in this way their works do follow them.

Bonds may be issued in the names of one or two persons—husband and wife, sisters or two friends, the interest being paid to the survivor and the rate of interest being calculated from the age of the younger of the two.

Class I, where the annuitant is under forty years of age, pays 4½%. Class II, where the annuitant is over forty and under fifty years of age pays 5%. Class III, where the annuitant is over fifty and under seventy-five years of age pays 6%. Class IV, where the annuitant is seventy-five years of age or over pays 7%.

The Bonds are issued in the name of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, which is the corporate name of our organization. Being a corporation under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania, all its assets are back of these Bonds. That is to say, all the property and other securities owned by the W. G. M. S., are liable for the payment of the interest of these Bonds. A letter is always required from the person paying the money, stating the age of the annuitant and department of work to which the principal is to be appropriated at the death of the annuitant. These letters are carefully filed and are binding upon the present Board and its successors.

The total amount of annuities outstanding April 1, 1926 is $165,716.11. We urge all who read this brief report to consider seriously the investment of some of their worldly goods in Annuity Bonds. There are many of our membership who cannot give sums of money now because of limited income, but none of us are so poor that we cannot take out an Annuity Bond, which is just as safe an investment as is possible on this earth and from which the income is derived semi-annually.

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL

MRS. GEORGE MOORE MEMORIAL FUND

The raising of the Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund will be continued—

Societies are asked to contribute again this year to this fund.

Let every member of every missionary society have a part in this Memorial.

REPORT OF

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1926

"O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good: for His mercy endureth forever. Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom He hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy; and gathered them out of the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south. * * * Whoso is wise, and will observe these things, even they shall understand the loving kindness of the Lord."

Nothing but the loving kindness of the Lord could have enabled the members of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America to undertake the various responsibilities which its charter assigns and to make possible the report of money received and expended for the traveling expenses and support of missionaries, purchase of land and erection of buildings, and support of institutions of all kinds during the years which closed April 15, 1926.

The missionaries who have sailed since our last report are as follows: returning to India, the Misses Emma Dean Anderson, Lois Boyd, Mary Logan, Jane Martin, Henrietta Moore, Sara Moore, Kate Spencer, Dr. J. P. Simpson and Dr. Reba C. Hunsberger; returning to Egypt, Mrs. Mary K. Coventry, the Misses Elsie French, Mary L. Thompson and Ruth A. Work; returning to the Sudan, the Misses Mary E. Coie and Aulora McIntyre. New missionaries to India, the Misses Agnes Ballantyne, Mary Evelyn Cathcart, Flora E. Hormel, Maude Mitchel Miller, Janet E. Nesbit and Emma Minerva Stauffer; new missonaries to Egypt, the Misses Gudrun C. Estvad, Alta Grace French, Marie F. Tait and Mrs. Rachel Tracy Seiver.

The missionaries returning to the home land for health reasons since our last report are, from India, the Misses Grace Polkinghorn and Mabel H. Stewart; from Egypt, Dr. Carrie M. Buchanan and Miss Rose Smith.

One missionary was married during the year, Miss Harriet Jongewaard married the Rev. Hugh McC. Milne, November 11, 1925. We pray for a blessing upon this new Christian home.

Missionaries deceased during the year, Dr. Wilhelmina Jongewaard, May 4, 1925, Miss Helen Ferrier, October 28, 1925 and Mrs. T. J. Finney, January 20, 1926. We mourn their loss.

Missionaries resigning during the year, the Misses Florence Tomaseck, Ella Jamison, Gertrude Horst and Mable C. Stewart of India, Mary J. Campbell goes back to India as the National President of the W. T. C. U. of that country.

Missionaries coming home for personal reasons, Dr. Reba C. Hunsberger.

Missionaries detained in this country for family and other reasons, the Misses Alda B. Atchison, Ella B. Downie and Nellie C. Smith of Egypt; Marietta Hamilton and Elizabeth May Caldwell of India.

Both Boards have a rule that when

a missionary is detained in the home land for a period longer than three months after the expiration of the furlough, their names are omitted from the roll. In accordance with this rule the following names will no longer appear on our roll, unless they are re-appointed: the Misses Elizabeth May Caldwell, Mary J. Campbell, Nellie C. Smith, Grace I. Polkinghorn and Mable H. Stewart.

During the year we have had the honor and responsibility of supporting, by prayer and gifts, eighty-one missionaries in India, fifty-seven in Egypt, twelve in the Sudan and eight in Abyssinia, or a total of one hundred and fifty-eight. As you know, support means furnishing outfit money, traveling expenses, salary, sanitation and language teacher.

In no previous year of our history have we had so many changes as you will have noted from the foregoing. There were eleven changes in the roll in India, two changes in Egypt, owing to deaths,no changes in the Sudan and none in Abyssinia, so that our roll for the four countries May 1, 1926 numbers one hundred and forty-five.

We take pleasure in adding to this list the following named ladies who are missionaries elect and are expected to sail to their respective fields in the autumn of 1926: Mrs. Ada Dunlap and Miss Mildred Allison. Both of these ladies had been short term workers in Egypt and had become so much interested in the work and so pleased with their co-operation with the workers that they have offered themselves for life service. Mrs. Sara May Eby and Miss Lois D. Kingan both go to Egypt for the first time. To the Sudan we have elected Miss Marguerite M. McClellan, and for Abyssinia, Miss Zelpha Viola Painter.

We are very much gratifed to report that Dr. Faith W. Reed, a daughter of Rev. W. H. Reed of Egypt, who was born in that country and who received medical training in the Women's Medical College of Philadelphia and the Medical Department of the Pittsburgh, Pa. University and has taken two years of internship in large hospitals in Cleveland, paying special attention to surgical and obstetrical work, has been unanimously elected by our Board to go as a missionary to India. This makes an addition of four to the ranks of Egypt, and one each to the Sudan, Abyssinia, and India, an addition of seven new workers to our roll, making the total at date one hundred and fifty-two. We hope there will be other names to add to the foregoing before the missionary parties sail in September.

Under the "407" Movement and the New World Movement the Women's Board has sent out up to date ninety-two. Marriages, deaths, resignations and changes of all kinds have occurred reducing the net increase at present to sixty-two. The most careful medical examinations have been undergone by all the young ladies and their references have been above the average. We regret that the names added to the roll have not been more in number, but we know the Lord will thrust out all whom He considers necessary. May we ask all readers to add the names of these missionaries to their prayer list? A great assistance in this line will be found by using the

Prayer Cycle issued by the Women's Board for the year 1927.

Our greatest need in all our foreign fields is doctors to take charge of hospitals and dispensaries and trained nurses to assist them. May we ask you all to make special prayer to the Lord for doctors and nurses? We are rejoiced to report, as you will have noted from the foregoing, that two of our doctors in India have returned to their fields, Dr. Reba Hunsberger and Dr. J. P. Simpson, but we still have two hospitals and five dispensaries without any doctor in charge.

The following named missionaries are expected to return to their respective fields in August and September of this year: to India, the Misses Roma Beatty, Lois Buchanan, Florence Jones, Mary Lawrence, Louise Scott, Dora B. Whitely and Dr. Maria White; to Egypt, the Misses Margaret Bell, Lucia Dwight, Dora Mason, Evelyn McFarland, Ethel L. Weed and Esther W. Wilson, and Miss Ruth C. Beatty to Abyssinia, or a returning party of fourteen.

We deeply regret that Miss Mary J. Campbell feels that the call of the National Presidency of the India W. C. T. U. is so imperative that it seems to her to be the Lord's will that she must accept. She has ranked as one of our best and most evangelistic workers in India and our prayer is that she may be accompanied by the power of the Holy Spirit in whatever work she undertakes.

We also regret that health and family and other reasons are detaining in this country Dr. Carrie M. Buchanan and the Misses Ella B. Downie, Rose Smith and Elizabeth May Caldwell. We are praying that the Lord will thrust out other laborers to fill the present existing vacancies.

The number of missionaries salaries that are pledged in whole or in part is practically unchanged. It is a cause of great gratitude on the part of every member of the Women's Board that the Lord has put it into the hearts of so many individuals and societies to support a salary in whole or in part, so that we have never been obliged to refuse to appoint a missionary whom we believe the Lord has called.

Again we desire most gratefully to report that the Lord has sent us more money designated for salaries from Presbyterials, individuals, congregations and Sabbath Schools than any previous year, as shown by the following itemized statement:

Foreign salaries receipts by:—

Presbyterials	$ 50,703.75
Individuals, Congregations and Sabbath Schools	9,145.00
Refunds	235.65
Thank-Offering designated	219.00
Young Women's Special	1,298.57
Investment Income	3,750.28
Foreign New World Movement	19,200.00
New World Movement designated	36,196.53
Transfers	200.00
	$120,948.78

The receipts for salaries from the New World Movement, as was to be expected, were a little less than last year, but yet the total from all sources is an increase, so that in spite of everything the total received toward our salary account during the year just closed is $2,759.68 more than the previous year.

As heretofore the statement designated Investment Income may require a little explanation. We frequently have bequests which state that the income therefrom is to be used for foreign salaries only. This money is at once invested in first mortgages on new real estate, bearing interest at six percent. This explains the item, which also shows an increase this year of $1,107.00.

The balance on hand in this account April 15, 1925 was $40,906.32. The receipts during the year for salary accounts from all sources was $120,948.78, making the total amount available for salaries $161,855.10. The disbursements during the year were also increased, being more than three thousand dollars in excess of the previous year, or $118,471.09. leaving a credit balance April 15, 1926 of $43,384.01. Many of our friends wonder why we need such a large cash balance at the end of the year. Our reply is that our Treasurer sends out about twelve thousand dollars a month for foreign salaries, and during the months of May, June, July, August and September little or no money is received, so that a large balance is absolutely necessary in order that none of our missionaries may be allowed to wait for their salaries one single day.

In addition to the Treasurer's account for Foreign Salaries, she has two others in her ledger. We shall now discuss the second one, which is entitled "Foreign Missions General." The receipts and disbursements in this department refer to the purchase of land and erection of buildings, the maintenance of institutions and the upkeep of property. Here follows the itemized statement of the Foreign Missions General Account:

Foreign Missions General Receipts by:—

Presbyterials	$ 24,784.98
Individuals	2,778.40
Sabbath Schools, Societies, etc.	1,625.64
1924 Thank-Offering	88,000.00
Lapsed Annuities	5,250.00
Young Women's Special	4,350.00
Junior Special	4,348.04
Legacies	1,686.00
Investment Income-Endowments	8,325.14
Return on Loan Investment	37,500.00
Transfers	33,050.00
Refunds	1,485.95
Total	$213,184.15

Foreign Missions Disbursements to:

Estimates granted to four foreign fields		$130,674.15
Specials as designated		4,659.15
Erection of G. B. S. Tanta		51,000.48
Payments on erection of George Memorial Hospital	$10,000.00	
Travel Mr. Wm. H. Douglas	1,300.00	
Furnishings for George Memorial Hospital	1,086.41	
Insurance for George Memorial Hospital	375.00	
		12,661.41
Travel of missionaries, etc.		10,948.56
Outfit Allowances		1,650.00
Post-graduate Allowance		480.00
Ranges and Piano		624.03
Loss on Exchange		4,509.00
Budget for Foreign Missions Conference		500.00
Expenses of conventions, New Wilmington Conference, etc.		4,194.14
Cables, etc.		58.19
Refund (Helen J. Ferrier)		10.00
Total		$221,969.11

Out of the above ledger account everything connected with the Foreign Mission Department is paid, except salaries, and into the account goes every contribution for foreign work, from whatever source, except special designations. We are glad to call your attention to the fact that the receipts for this department also show an increase this year of $21-547.50. We are especially glad that in response to appeals in the Magazine our Presbyterial Societies have increased their contributions $1,493.-12. It is to be expected that as the work grows the cost of administration will grow, and if the cost of administration grows we will have to look toward our auxilaries for increased contributions, but, above all, we look to the Master whom we serve for all the funds needed.

Some explanation of the foregoing receipts might not be out of place. Lapsed Annuities, of course, need no explanation. There were more people who went from service to reward during the year just closed than the previous year. We thank the Lord that during their lives they were interested enough to take out Annuity Bonds so that when life was ended their works would follow them. The item entitled Investment Income-Endowments is derived from various sources. For example we receive legacies sometimes which declare the income therefrom is to be used for some part of the foreign work, so we put it into Foreign Missions General, unless it was designated for salaries. Then we have persons who endow beds for hospitals, etc., and that also goes into Investment Income. It is not to be understood that the amount opposite this item was all received during the year, because the principal of endowments is never touched, but invested so that the donor's wishes may be carried out to the letter. Return on Loan Investment, to us, in an interesting item. In 1912 we had first begun the purchase of land and to get ready in other ways for the erection of a girls' boarding school in Tanta. The war came and hindered all building, on account of increase in prices of material and labor. Therefore all the money that was contributed and designated for the Tanta Girls' Boarding School was invested at six percent and the interest compounded and added to the original sum. During the year just closed we had to call in some of this invested money. That is to say we had to call in $37,500.00 that had been invested for Tanta, in order to make the necessary payment on the erection of the school which is now known as the Mary Clokey Porter Girls' Boarding School. That explains what is meant by Return on Loan Investment. "Transfers" is another item which might need a little explanation. We are fortunate in having occasional balances in the hands of our Mission Treasurers. This year there was quite a handsome balance in the hands of the Treasurer of the Sudan Mission. The Mission was very desirous of making an addition to the Girls' Boarding School, Khartum North. This had to be done from New World Movement money. They had already received part of the account called for by the survey of the Sudan Mission and they asked that the Board would send as much as possible. The Board was obliged, for lack

of funds, to refuse the amount asked for, but authorized the Treasurer of the Sudan Mission to pay out of the balance in his hand a certain amount for building purposes. That amount was therefore transferred from the New World Movement account to the Foreign Missions General Account and largely explains the entire item. Another item included in the amount above given is the expenses of outgoing "407" missionaries, which were included in the survey of the New World Movement. All these transfers are ordered, of course, by the Board. Refunds have been explained before, but they largely consist in refunds of travel accounts. When the missionary leaves her field to come home, she is always given a certain amount of money for travel and there is always a balance left. All these balances are given to the Treasurer and they are called Refunds.

The disbursements for this account, we think, need no explanation.

We are thankful to say that this department closes, as well as the salary department, with a considerable cash balance in the treasury.

The third ledger account of the Foreign Department is called Foreign New World Movement, and includes all receipts from the New World Movement during the year and all income and all revenue from investments of unused New World Movement money in the Treasurer's hands.

FOREIGN NEW WORLD MOVEMENT

Receipts by New World Movement Designations and Distributions	$113,746.07
Receipts by Investment Income	16,665.30
TOTAL	$130,411.37

The receipts during the year were less than the previous year, as was to be expected, but the income was more. You will understand that the Treasurer invests New World Movement money as fast as it is received, as before stated, in mortgages on new real estate at six per cent and the income derived therefrom is added to the New World Movement money received, so during the year just closed the total received and income amounted to $130,411.37.

DISBURSEMENTS

To equipment for Fayoum Building	$ 780.00
To erection of G. B. S. Tanta	25,000.00
To investment in Mortgages	41,125.00
To Salaries	19,200.00
To transfer to Foreign General to refund expense of "407" Missionaries	8,000,00
To Foreign General to refund amount in Sudan Treasury to build addition to Girls' Boarding School in Khartum North	20,000.00
TOTAL	$114,105.00

To enable our readers at any time to know exactly what has been done with our New World Movement money, we publish the following statement of the entire disbursements of New World Movement money from the beginning of the New World Movement to date:

EGYPT

To purchase property for a center for women's work in Mansoura	$17,000.00	
To erect a second story on Tanta Hospital residence	11,250.00	
For improvements in Girls' Boarding School, Luxor	5,750.00	
For purchase of land for center for women's work, Fayoum	5,000.00	
To purchase land in Benha	6,000.00	
To erection of Girls' School, Fayoum	43,380.00	
To erect house for missionaries at Tanta	28,000.00	
To erection of Girls' Boarding School, Tanta	45,000.00	
To purchase land for Community Center, Tanta.	7,500.00	168,880.00

INDIA

To purchase Mary B. Reed Memorial Hospital	$ 5,000.00	
To erection of ladies' bungalow, Zafarwal	4,913.13	
On account of erection of Girls' Boarding School, Sargodha	9,885.00	
To erect Ladies' Bungalow, Sargodha	6,533.00	
To purchase of land and erection of bungalow at Campbellpur	6,726.00	
To purchase of land and erection of Bungalow at Pathankot	7,012.00	
To cost of land and erection of ladies' house at Pasrur South	7,600.00	
To cost of land and erection of ladies' house at Shiekhupura	8,600.00	
To purchase site for bungalow, Kujar Khan	8,200.00	
To purchase site for bungalow, Chakwal	7,267.00	
To purchase site for bungalow, Dhariwal	334.00	67,070.13

SUDAN

To purchase of additional land for Girls' Boarding School, Khartum North	$ 4,000.00	
To building of addition to Girls' Boarding School, Khartum North	20,000.00	24,000.00
		$259,950.13

The foregoing is for land and buildings only. The sums paid for salaries amount to $275,907.00

During the year just closed Egypt has sustained very severe losses by the death of Miss Helen J. Ferrier, October 28, 1925, and Mrs. T. J. Finney, January 20, 1926. Miss Ferrier served the Lord twenty-five years in Egypt and Mrs. Finney served the Lord for forty-four years in the same country. Obituaries of both these consecrated women have already been published in the Magazine. We only desire again to mention their names in loving remembrance of their lives and work and to pray the Lord of the harvest to send workers forth to fill the vacant places.

Responsibilities of the W. G. M. S. —Foreign Department.

INDIA

*Support of:

1. Seventy missionaries
2. Fifty-five Bible women

†Maintenance of:

3. Memorial Hospital, Sialkot
4. White Memorial Hospital, Pasrur.
5. Good Samaritan Hospital, Jhelum.
6. Mary B. Reed Memorial Hospital, Sargodha
7. Dispensary, Bhera
8. Dispensary, Jhelum
9. Dispensary, Kala
10. Dispensary, Pasrur
11. Dispensary, Pathankot
12. Dispensary, Sargodha
13. Dispensary, Sialkot
14. Ladies' Bungalow, Attock
15. Ladies' Bungalow, Campbellpur
16. Ladies' Bungalow, Jhelum
17. Ladies' Bungalow, Pasrur, South
18. Ladies' Bungalow, Pathankot
19. Ladies' Bungalow, Sargodha
20. Ladies' Bungalow, Shiekhupura
21. Ladies' Bungalow, Sialkot, "Elizabeth Gordon Home."
22. Ladies' Bungalow, Rawalpindi
23. Ladies' Bungalow, Zafarwal.
24. Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot
25. Girls' Boarding School, Sargodha
26. Girls' Boarding School, Sangla Hill
27. Girls' Boarding School, Pasrur
28. Girls' Day School, Sialkot District, six
29. Girls' Day School, Gujranwala District, seven
30. Girls, Day School, Rawalpindi District, two
31. Girls' Day School, Kangah Dogran District, two
32. Girls' Day School, Sargodha District, twenty-three
33. Girls' Day School, Dhariwal
34. Girls' Day School, Gurdaspur
35. Girls' Day School, Kujar, Khan
36. Girls' Day School, Pathankot
37. Girls' Day School, Zafarwal
38. Girls' Day School, Jhelum
39. Girls' Day School, Martinpur

The estimates granted for India for the ensuing year amount to $98,-688.00.

EGYPT

*Support of:

1. Fifty-nine missionaries
2. Sixty-five Bible women

†Maintenance of:

3. Martha McKeown Hospital, Tanta
4. Tanta Hospital Residences
5. Girls' Boarding and Day School, Luxor
6. Mary Clokey Porter's Girls' Boarding School, Tanta
7. Girls' Day School, Alexandria
8. Girls' Day School, Karmus
9. Girls' Day School, Beni Suef
10. Girls' Day School, Kafr-el-Ahsari
11. Girls' Day School, Fayoum
12. Girls' Day School, Mansourah
13. Girls' Day School, Zagazig
14. Dispensary and Clinic, Benha
15. Dispensary and Clinic, Tanta
16. Mary Herron Rest Home, Ramleh
17. Community Center, Tanta
18. Community Center, Cairo
19. Community Center, Benha
20. Community Center, Monsourah
21. Community Center, Fayoum

The estimates granted for Egypt for the ensuing year amount to $85,-497.00.

SUDAN

*Support of:

1. Twelve missionaries
2. Two Bible women

†Maintenance of:

3. Bible Women's House, Khartum North
4. Girls' Boarding and Day School, Khartum North
5. "William Little" Girls' Day School, Wadi Halfa
6. Support of three trained nurses.

The estimates granted for the Sudan for the year amount to $27,505.-00.

ABYSSINIA

*Support of:

1. Eight missionaries

†Maintenance of:

2. George Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa

3. Two missionary residences, Addis Ababa

The estimates granted to Abyssinia for the ensuing year amount to $15,726.00.

*—Support of missionaries includes salaries, language teachers, travel, sanitarium, itinerating, station expenses, and sending out new missionaries—which includes outfit money and traveling expenses to the fields.

†—Maintenance of institutions includes taxes, repairs, furniture, instruments, garden tools, seeds, food, clothing, books, medicine, and itinerating—salaries of superintendents, nurses, teachers, doctors, Bible women, matrons and servants.

"If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."

The foregoing estimates do not include outfit money, traveling expenses or salaries for new missionaries who go out in 1926.

The most heartfelt thanks of every member of the Women's Board are hereby extended to the Board of Managers of Columbia Hospital for their generous hospitality and the splendid care which has been given to so many of the missionaries of our United Presbyterian Church. The care required was varied, both surgical and medical, and, in answer to prayer, has been uniformly helpful. Some have stayed months and others have only had a short sojourn, but all went out either cured or very much improved. The doctors of all classes, considering them as guests of the hospital, were glad to help our missionaries without any financial recompense, so that we are very grateful to them, also.

The number of missionary guests during the year just closed was twenty-seven. The number of hospital days, four hundred and thirty.

We are also greatly indebted to the "Christian Union Herald" and "The United Presbyterian" for publishing any items which we request, regarding our work.

Our attorney, William A. Wilson, Esquire, has also rendered valuable assistance, his advice in legal matters being freely given at all times. We take great pleasure in thus publicly expressing our appreciation.

We are deeply grateful to the following named congregations, Sabbath Schools, Presbyterials and individuals for the faithful way in which they have met their pledges toward the salaries of our foreign missionaries. It gives great pleasure to print the Honor Roll for the year ending April 1, 1926.

HONOR ROLL

Year Ending April 15, 1926

Here follow the names of all who have paid their pledges in such fashion that there were no deficits in their accounts when the treasurer closed her books, April 15, 1926:

	Number of Salaries Pledged
Albany and Puget Sound Presbyterials and Lucille Harmon	1
Allegheny Presbyterial	1
Avalon Sabbath School	1
Avalon Congregation	1
Bellevue Organizations	1
Eleventh Congregation	1
First Congregation	8
Fourth Congregation	1
Second Congregation Organizations	8
Sixth Congregation Organizations	1
Valencia Congregation	1
Arkansas Valley Presbyterial	2
Argyle Presbyterial	1

Beaver Valley Presbyterial 2
Beaver Falls Congregation 1
Second, New Castle, Congregation 1
Big Spring Presbyterial 1
Boston Presbyterial 1
Butler Presbyterial 1
Caledonia Presbyterial 1
Rochester, N. Y., Congregation and Bible School 1
Chartiers Presbyterial 2
Chartiers and Greenside Avenue Congregations, Canonsburg 1
Second, Washington, Congregation 1
Chicago Presbyterial 1
Cleveland Presbyterial 1
Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Wiegering 1
Colorado Presbyterial 1
College Springs Presbyterial 2
Conemaugh Presbyterial 1
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Miller 1
Cedar Rapids Presbyterial 2
Traer, Iowa, Congregation 1
Delaware Presbyterial 1
Walton, N. Y., Congregation and Sabbath School 1
Des Moines Presbyterial 1
Hudson Presbyterial 1
Indiana Presbyterial 1
Kansas City and Garnett Presbyterials, Princeton, Indiana, W. M. S., Wilkinsburg Organizations and Y. W. M. S., Second Pittsburgh, ... 1
Idaho, Oklahoma and Texas Presbyterials ..... part
Keokuk Presbyterial 1
Second, Washington, Iowa Congregation 1
Kiskiminetas Presbyterial ..... part
Lake Presbyterial 1
Los Angeles Presbyterial 1
First Congregation, Los Angeles 2
Mansfield and Northern Indiana Presbyterials ..... part
Mercer Presbyterial 1
New Wilmington Congregation 1
Monmouth Presbyterial 3
Elmira Congregation 1
Ninth Avenue Congregation, Monmouth, Ill. 1
Wood Sisters 1
Monongahela Presbyterial 2
Dr. and Mrs. O. H. Anderson 1
Helen T. Brown ..... part
Mrs. Wm. Campbell 1
Dr. and Mrs. Ewing, and Ladies Bible Class of Donora, Pa. ..... part
Mr. W. L. Taylor 1
Carnegie Congregation 1
Coraopolis Congregation 1
Eleventh Congregation 1
Homewood Congregation 1
Mifflin and Homestead Congregations 1
Oakmont and Oakdale Congregations ..... part
Mt. Lebanon Congregation 1
Shadyside Organizations 2
First, Wilkinsburg, Congregation 1
Second, Wilkinsburg, Congregation .. 1
Sixth Congregation Organizations 3
Sixth Congregation 1
Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. Archie ..... part
Muskingum Presbyterial 2
Ohio, First, Presbyterial 2
Johnston family ..... part
Omaha Presbyterial (North Bend Congregation) 1
Oregon Presbyterial 1
Pawnee and Philadelphia Presbyterials .. 1
Philadelphia Presbyterial 2
Norris Square Sabbath School 1
Anna A. Milligan and Greensburg Society 1
Rock Island Presbyterial 1
San Francisco Presbyterial 1
Sidney Presbyterial 1
First Toledo Sabbath School ..... part
Southern Illinois Presbyterial (Marissa Congregation) 1
Sparta Congregation 1
Spokane Presbyterial ..... part
Steubenville Presbytery 1
Westmoreland Presbytery 2
Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ramsey 1
1st McKeesport Congregation 1
Greensburg Congregation 1
Wisconsin Presbyterial ..... part
Wheeling Presbyterial 1
Xenia Presbyterial 2
Young Women's Special 1

The following excellent detailed reports were prepared by individuals in each of the various fields. We are deeply grateful to the consecrated women who prepared them. They go out to the church with a prayer that everyone who reads may be more deeply impressed than ever with the importance of the work which these reports represent.

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL,
Foreign Secretary

THE YEAR IN INDIA

"Everything shall live whithersoever the river cometh."

ANYONE who has seen any of India's deserts before and after the coming of the water is impressed with the truth of this verse. Great, barren wastes, immense stretches of sand, broken only by clumps of the desert thorn bushes, and then—the coming of the water, and what a contrast! Waving fields of grain, luxuriant vegetation, beautiful trees, men and animals finding sustenance; life, growth, prosperity follow the coming of the water.

So is the coming of the Water of Life. India has much waste desert land, whether one looks at the Chuhra (carrion eater), worshipper of mud idol; whether at the Mohammedan, follower of the false prophet; or at the Hindu, worshipper of wood and stone,—all is desert waste, untilled and unproductive. But when Jesus Christ has once come into these lives He makes remarkable transformations. He makes the Chuhra into a respected member of society,—"For the witness of a life who can gainsay." He makes the hard Mohammedan a gentle, loving and lovable follower of the Lamb of God; while the Hindu finds in Him one to whom he can pour out his passionate devotion in service and sacrifice.

Of course complete growth, either in the physical or the spiritual world, does not take place all at once and the water channels are not always sufficiently cleared of obstacles to allow a full supply of water to flow through, but the possibilities exist and in many lives marvelous change and growth have resulted from the coming of the Water of Life. However, these so touched and changed are the exception; the great mass of India's millions are yet the desert waste. Many are beautiful of face and form, cultured and gracious in bearing, but barren in spirit. Ours is the great privilege of bringing them in contact with the Water of Life and then for us is the joy of seeing the time when "The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose."

LAURA CLELAND MCARTHUR

SIALKOT PRESBYTERIAL

Sialkot Presbyterial includes all the women's work of Sialkot, Pasrur, Zafarwal and Badomali. The annual meeting of the presbyterial was held last spring at Pasrur and was well attended. At these meetings the women, both Indian and Missionary, meet for spiritual uplift, conference on methods of work, and to give re-

ports of the organized missionary societies whose delegates they are. The annual Thank-Offering is reported and disposed of and goals set for the efforts of the coming year.

In Sialkot Presbyterial there is progressive work being done that is worthy of mention. Great stress is laid on the value of having elders' wives trained in a course of Bible stories and lessons. Each spring brings a number of these women from their villages in the four districts to this presbyterial meeting in order to take their examinations and to get certificates if they pass. The course is chosen for the purpose of acquainting these "unread" women with the Word of God, so that they may help to teach their neighbors. Another influence used in developing India's rural Christian women is to teach them how to organize a missionary society and how to have a purposeful meeting in a village where none of the women can read. This is accomplished by having a model meeting held by some "unread" capable leader who chooses a group of women for her class. There is much interest aroused in this way.

We will now let those in charge of work in Sialkot Presbyterial speak for themselves.

SIALKOT DISTRICT

Every year we find improvement among the Christians. More of them are learning Bible stories and verses, and more of them are learning to pray. We still find a great deal of indifference, a great deal of quarreling, dishonesty and wearing of charms, but they are learning and we are encouraged.

We occasionally have met with rebuff in going to the non-Christians. We started one day to go to some non-Christian homes. On the way we met a very pompous Mohammedan man who asked where we were going and what we were going to do. We told him, then asked if we might visit his wife. He answered "No! Never!" in a very emphatic voice. But this is a very unusual case. These days many non-Christian women and girls flock to our tent. Some are indifferent to the message, having only come from curiosity but others are anxious to hear. In a few cases where they have heard the message before we have found a beautiful faith in Christ. One woman came to the tent a few days ago who had played with the missionary's children as a child. She knew several psalms by heart. She also knew the story of Christ. She said "I believe on Christ and would like to be baptized but here are my three children, I can't leave them."

Two new girls' schools have been started in Sialkot district this last year. One is taught by a girl who finished Junior Normal in April. Partly on account of lack of help from the pastor of the village, partly on account of indifference of the village people, but most of all on account of her own reluctance to teach in a village the school has not been very successful. The other has been more encouraging. At the last of the year there were forty-six pupils and they were asking for a second teacher. People in some places are beginning to realize the advantage of educating their girls. That is a very hopeful sign for the future.

HELEN ARTMAN
KATHRYN BEATTIE

SIALKOT CITY

During the past year I have been engaged principally in a struggle with physical weakness; not seriously ill but just weak and not able for much bodily exertion. Four and one half months were spent in the hills to avoid the heat.

I feel that the work among the Sialkot women is being neglected. For several years I have tried to get someone who has more strength appointed to look after it. The reply to my request continues ever the same "there is no one to spare" or "There are not enough to go around."

Once a week I have been meeting with three Bible women for study and prayer. It is difficult, indeed, to find women who are qualified and worthy of this work. One difficulty arises from the fact that it is not considered proper for respectable women to go about much. Another difficulty lies in the fact that Christian women do not readily accept their responsibility toward their non-Christian neighbors. They are, therefore, not willing to endure the hardships and self-denials imposed by the work.

One Bible woman reports twenty-nine non-Christian homes regularly visited. In these there are fifteen women who can read; the other fourteen are illiterate. Twenty-seven of these homes are Moslem, the other two Mazhabi Sikh. Frequently there are callers or visitors present when she calls so that many more than the regular pupils hear the messages and lessons. In one of the sections she visits, a man was baptized two years ago. Contrary to the usual custom, he remains in his home with his widowed mother and his young son. One day as the Bible woman was teaching in a nearby home, this widow came by with a pan of ashes and threw them over the Bible woman, saying "Don't come here we don't want to hear you."

On one or two occasions men in the homes have interfered and forbidden the women to continue to study. In one instance the woman had her small daughter stand watch to give the alarm in case the husband should come while she was having her lesson.

One woman claimed to have been baptized in Lahore but since we can get no facts concerning her baptism we do not know whether to count her as a convert or not. However, as she is living with her husband on the condition that she be allowed to live as a Christian, we are praying that they both may become true witnesses for Jesus Christ.

Seventeen portions of Scripture were sold by the Bible woman working in these non-Christian homes.

A Christian woman—"just one of themselves"— carries on work in one of the outcaste quarters. She cannot read very well but she gets more out of her Bible than many who have spent years in school and college. In natural ability and enthusiasm she is above the average of her school. There is little to show in statistics or to tell in a report as to results, but her influence in the community tells and is not to be despised.

ELIZABETH MCCAHON

SIALKOT GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL

The boarding department of the school has been smaller this year than usual, the total number of girls being 152 of whom fifteen are day pupils. The falling off is from among the larger girls. One of these girls was in the seventh class and though she wanted to return to school her older brother insisted on getting her married so that the family might benefit from the money paid for her, for the custom of taking money is still prevalent even among some of our Christian people. Another of the girls who did not return was in the Sixth Class and because there was no one to pay her school fees she decided to enter a hospital and take up nurses' training.

The Eighth Class in which there are nine girls will go up for their final examination the middle of February. Of the fifteen who went up last year four failed in one subject or another. Of these girls one is dead, two are married, one is taking nurses' training, five are taking Normal Training, two are studying English, two are teaching in Village Girls' Schools and two are staying at home.

The seven girls who graduated from the Senior Normal Class are all teaching in our Mission schools. Of the eleven who finished Junior Normal seven are now in the Senior Class and two are teaching. At present there are twelve girls in the Senior and ten in the Junior Class.

There has been very little sickness in the school during the past year aside from the ordinary colds and fever. There was one death from tuberculosis and one from prolonged fever.

This year we have sent one of our teachers to Lahore to take the three months domestic science training offered by the Government. The Eighth and Normal classes are required to pass a Government examination in this subject, so special instruction is required.

The regular meetings of the Sabbath School, Christian Endeavor, Juniors and Women's Missionary Society have been held and attended by the girls. They have liberally contributed to the Church and Home Missions. At Christmas time they had great happiness in packing boxes of toys for the children of the Home Mission fields.

OLIVE R. LAING,
M. LOIS BOYD

SIALKOT CITY GIRLS' SCHOOL

The Sialkot City Girls' School has suffered from the recent organization of a Mohammedan School in the same section of the city. All our non-Christian girls have been Mohammedans so naturally we lost a good many to the new school. However, about forty Mohammedan girls have stayed with us which encourages us to believe that the school is appreciated.

The parents of the girls are very sympathetic towards Christian teaching. We still have fifteen Christian girls in the school and are sorry that there are not more. Most of the Christian families of the city still allow their little girls to play in the street and to grow up in ignorance.

The day before Christmas we made the girls very happy by giving each

one a doll. Most of them were very pretty ones which had been sent by Juniors and friends at home.

We explained that they came from little children who loved the Jesus of whom they were learning and who wanted them to love Him too.

The Bible woman who works in the homes of the girls is still faithful and has some interested pupils. We are praying that this school may become this year a more powerful evangelistic influence than it has ever been before.

M. Lois Boyd

SIALKOT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Owing to the number of changes in the missionaries in charge of the work in the Sialkot Hospital no report has been sent in this year, Nevertheless, the hospital has been open and has served the community all year. Until April Dr. Hunsberger carried on the work very efficiently both for missionaries and Indians needing medical help. Dr. Hunsberger spent nine months in America and returned to the work January first. Never was anyone welcomed more fervently than she. Her missionary friends, the Hospital staff, city Christians and non- Christians were present. The Indians took possession of things and with their fireworks, band and hearty welcome showed that this was their day and that they were there to do honor to one they love and trust. Doctor was as kind and happy to one as another. What a privilege! What a joy to serve where one's service is so much appreciated.

Miss Cowden acted as superintendent of the Hospital in Dr. Hunsbergers absence. Now she does evangelistic work in the homes of those who have been patients in the Hospital. Miss Viola Nourse has been superintendent of nurses since Annual Meeting in October.

Dr. Reba Hunsberger,
Henrietta Cowden
Viola Nourse

PASRUR DISTRICT

The year 1925 came and went very quickly. It brought much to encourage and much to discourage. It is a burden on our hearts that so many of our sisters have not possessed their possessions. They believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, their Saviour at death, but do not realize what He wishes to do for them every day. A woman from one of our most unpromising villages was critically ill. Her mother came and stayed until the Angel of Death came. We felt concerned for the woman, because she had not been anxious to learn God's word, but as the end drew nigh His grace was sufficient. She went joyfully for she was sure she was going to be with Jesus. Her old mother said, "The Lord hath given and He hath taken."

Our visit to an old friend in Kesowali brought us pleasure. A rather dirty and very narrow alley led to her house. When we entered her courtyard we found every thing beautifully neat and clean. A bed with a white cover was ready for us. An old blanket was spread on the ground for the village women that came to the meeting. One woman had a playful baby that was crawling everywhere. Over at one side a basket of wheat had been put

out to sun. No place suited the baby so well as this basket of wheat. Crawling into the basket she would make the grain fly, using both hands and feet, the mother brought her back but as soon as her attention was elsewhere the baby would start for the wheat basket. We all laughed at the baby but the women maintained their interest in the meeting. We heard many Bible stories. The attractive young daughter of the home was the one who told the most stories. This young woman had been in grave danger a short time before. Knowing that her father was dead and thinking that she had no one to protect her some evil men plotted to abduct her. This plot became known to her pastor. His home is in another village but he came at once to this village and stayed until all danger was past. He went to Mr. Campbell and had him write a letter to the police officer of that section. Mr. Campbell informed the Lambardar of the village and his interest led to the abandonment of the scheme. On the day we visited the village the Lambardar came to Mr. Campbell and promised that there should be no more trouble.

MARY KYLE

KALASWALA GIRLS' SCHOOL

For many years we longed for a school for girls in Kalaswala. There is a large Christian community there. Some of the girls were reading in the boys' school but we felt that many more should be in school. There were schools in the village for Hindu and Mohammedan girls. The great difficulty in a village school is getting a teacher who can be properly protected. God was hearing our prayers and working in a way that we knew not. A cousin of Munshi Kaku Mal, Mrs. Lizzie Bhajna Matthews asked for work.

The youngest of her children was six years old and she thought she could care for her children and teach too. Kalaswala is just the place for her. She lives in the house adjoining Munshi Kaku Mal and so has his protection. There is a good school here for her older boys and the little one can attend the mission boys' school. Just at this time the Mohammedan girls' school was closed. Some of the girls from this school have been glad to attend our school. From the first our school has flourished. Over fifty girls are enrolled. The Government Inspector made a favorable report in our log book. Our school was opened eighteen months ago; it is not the first enthusiasm now, but the appreciation of a good school, that makes us very hopeful for the future.

The work that seemed so new and strange last year has now become more or less familiar. Last year I enjoyed meeting our village Christians for the first time, but now they seem like old friends. I rather enjoy hearing them say: "This is the new missionary of last year." And I think that they enjoy being recognized by me too.

One Sabbath we had a communion service with the Dhoda congregation. The weather was threatening, but in spite of the dark clouds the pastor's courtyard was more than comfortably filled. How the Christians do love such gatherings! While they were waiting for the service to be-

gin, the people whiled away the time by singing Psalms and playing their musical instruments. When I hear the Panjabis singing I am reminded that the Bible says "Make a joyful *noise* unto the Lord." The louder they sing, the better the praise, according to their ideas. There was some disturbance on the women's side because of the cramped quarters and the fretting of the little children, but we could tell that all were listening to the message with great interest. And when the emblems of His broken body and shed blood were passed, a solemn stillness was over all. God was there with His people.

The people are expressing a great desire to learn more about God's Word. We have been having good times with the women this winter. They have been unusually attentive, and try very hard to learn the stories and verses of the course. That is always an encouragement to every missionary.

There is much promising material among the little girls of school age. We are using all our powers of persuasion to get them in our boarding school in Pasrur. In some places the parents have promised faithfully to send them.

Our hearts are filled with thanksgiving for the faith and the love that we see in the lives of these simple village Christians. For what is our hope, or joy or crown of rejoicing? The Panjabi Christians have proved that they are our glory and our joy.

EVELYN TROMANS

PASRUR BOARDING SCHOOL

The year closed with an enrollment of 160 pupils; 137 boarders and 23 day pupils.

This is the first year that an Eighth Class for this school has gone up for the Government examinations. Many new problems have come up in regard to them and their work. There are thirteen teachers. All except one are Normal trained. Fifteen girls joined the church during the year. The Junior Societies have been carried on as usual. Each society has its own Thank-Offering jug. The offering this year amounted to a little over seven dollars. The larger girls belong to the Missionary Society.

RUTH WARNOCK

PASRUR HOSPITAL
"WHITE MEMORIAL"

White Memorial Hospital work has been carried on this year by the Indian staff under the management of a missionary superintendent.

The attendance in the daily clinic has been well maintained. The work of the indoor department has been efficiently carried on although the patients have been fewer than when there is an American doctor in charge.

The Sub-Assistant Surgeon has not attempted any major operation, but does the minor ones.

At present there are only two senior nurses and three juniors. Two of the latter have only recently entered for training while the third has been with us nine months.

We were asked by the Secretary of the Muncipality to vaccinate all the babies in the city who had never had small pox vaccination. Up to date one hundred and fifty-three have been vaccinated.

Many interesting cases have come into the hospital this year. God has graciously spared life in several instances where humanly speaking recovery seemed impossible.

LAURELLA G. DICKSON

ZAFARWAL DISTRICT

"The words of the Preacher—In the morning sow thy seed and in the evening withhold not thine hand; for thou knowest not which shall prosper, whether this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good,"—is a good watchword for every district missionary, for itinerary work means visiting the majority of the Christian villages not more than once in a year and making an attempt to scatter the Seed among the non-Christians as he goes.

In Zafarwal District during the itinerary season of 1925, we visited about one hundred and thirty villages containing Christians and about forty in which there were only non-Christians. During the summer more intensive work was done among the Christian in the city and nearby villages, and calls made in the homes of the non-Christian women.

Ten Christian women, eleven girls and nine boys, from our Sabbath School in Zafarwal city, has passed examinations in a course of six Psalms and twelve Scripture passages, ranging from one to four verses. Women and children from three villages have passed the same course, being taught by the workers' wives. These have all received prizes sent by some of you readers.

We have two girls' schools supported by the Women's Board containing about twenty children each, and taught by mission trained teachers.

The Lord's work cannot be measured by figures, but still they are not without value. Our prayer is that we may be able to inspire the Indian Christians who are educated, to take their place as leaders and teachers in the development of the spiritual lines of the less fortunate ones, and help the unsaved ones to know Christ as Saviour. Pray with us.

GEORGIA WENGERT

The past year has been spent in Zafarwal District and the work among the village people has been very interesting. This fall we have worked in a part of the district where the villages, in which there are Christians, are far apart. We were very thankful that the winter rains were late so that we were able to finish our camp work in this difficult part of the district before they came.

I think the most interesting camp was up toward the foot-hills of the Himalayas where missionaries had seldom camped. They had sometimes gone for a day to hold a meeting with the Christians so we were not such a curiosity to them as we were to the non-Christians, who came in crowds to the tent mostly out of curiosity.

It is hard for us to realize what strange ideas they have of us. While we were there several women came at different times and asked us, "Where have you hidden the child? People who have been near the camp have heard a child crying, where is he?" We had no children in the camp and told them so but they thought we were there to kidnap chil-

dren. Some woman had imagined she heard a child crying and had spread the report that we had hidden the child.

From this camp we went to a village nearer the foot-hills where fifteen families had recently been baptized. There was no road, only a path, so we went on horse-back, a thirty-five mile ride in one day. We were repaid for the effort we had made for we found the people eager to learn and were glad of the chance to tell them more about our Saviour and what he has done for us.

WILLA M. RAMSEY

BADOMALI

These days, every one out our way, is excited about the railroad, which is to come past Badomali. Some years ago the survey was made and now the work is really started. By employing two thousand men, it is hoped that it will be completed in four months. The railroad will connect us with Lahore in one direction and with Sialkot in the other.

Public roads are also being built in which Mr. Clements has a real share. He has been called upon to act as a sort of go-between with the Government officials and the leaders of the villages in our district. He has gone from village to village explaining the value and advantages of good roads compared to their foot paths and enlisting the co-operation of the villagers. So successful has he been that an official request has come that he do the same thing in a neighboring district. Every village visited has been a new opportunity to witness for Christ. We ladies have gone with him to teach the women and children. We are looking forward to the day when we will have roads upon which motors can travel and will no longer be delayed in getting from village to village as we often are now.

The people are all much interested in our new mission houses which came in answer to prayer. We have prayed for a Government Hospital at Badomali and now official word has come that one is to be built. With the healing of the body we trust there will come a greater interest in the healing of the soul, and as the people accept God's material gifts may they be led to accept his greatest gift —Jesus Christ their Saviour.

THERESA BROWNLEE

During the past year my chief problem has been to get acclimatized and to learn to talk. How often we have envied the missionary children, who in spite of being only little tads talk like veterans. It is rather embarrasing for a grown-up to call upon an eight-year-old to act as interpreter, but we all have such moments, when we are trying to learn to shape our talking and thinking after a new and strange pattern. Sometimes it reminds me of making over a dress—if only the waistline didn't change, the job wouldn't be so hard. If only the sounds weren't different and our speaking muscles less set after the Anglo Saxon style it wouldn't be so difficult to make people understand we were talking about something to eat and not about a one-eyed man!

Now my first year of language work is over and I am a ten weeks old missionary in Badomali and have

spent twenty-seven days in camp. During these ten weeks we have visited from one to six villages a day. We often think our Christians are weak but considering their background they are exceedingly strong and we have much for which to offer praise and thanksgiving.

LAURA REYNOLDS

GURDASPUR PRESBYTERIAL

Gurdaspur is one of our older Presbyteries. Its bounds extend into the foot-hills of the Himalayas were many of its villages are very isolated. These hill portions are populated chiefly by Hindus, and Miss Moore's article in the following describes our Mission's work among these people, and among the other people of Pathankot District. Pathankot City is the site of the Avalon Girls' High School, the only high school for girls in our whole Mission. There is a city school for non-Christian girls, chiefly Mohammedan, and the Elliott Dispensary is also situated here. The Presbytery however takes its name from the larger town and district of Gurdaspur. In the town we have the Home for Women and Children which is an institution in which our Mission co-operates with the Presbyterian and other Missions. Gurdaspur District itself is one of the very interesting districts both for its beautiful scenery and for its struggles to found a self supporting church in a country where the soil is sandy and not very productive, and the people not far advanced in education. It is noteworthy that Miss Martin in reporting on the work of this district stresses the hindrance illiteracy makes to the evangelistic progress of the church.

PATHANKOT DISTRICT

After furlough it requires some time for readjustment and getting the work in hand. The warm welcome from the village people is encouraging. We went to camp in November and spent the first weeks beyond the Ravi River in the native state of Jammu. There is a local saying "When one goes across the river he leaves his religion behind." It is certainly true that the religion found there is not the kind that restrains from sin. Drunkenness and gambling are very common but this, alas, is not confined to that side of the river. As the majority of the people are Hindus, there is also much idolatry; but practically no opposition is met and women of all classes give us a hearty welcome. Even the men, as a rule, are respectful and polite toward us. A leading Hindu in a town seldom visited has written reminding us that we have not fulfilled a promise made three years ago to return again to his village.

One Sabbath morning a messenger came enquiring whether there was a medical worker in the camp, as the daughter-in-law of the judge was very ill. Mrs. Colvin went along to the house, but found the case too serious for untrained people to undertake, and Mr. Colvin offered to take the Ford and go for a doctor in the morning, but in the morning early a messenger came to say that the doctor was not needed. We did go to the house to express our sympathy with the bereaved family and they were very grateful for the will-

ingness to help. The mother-in-law said relatives would not have done as much. The young husband had come home because of a holiday in medical college where he is a student; so performed the last rites, setting fire to the funeral pyre. As soon as the fire was started, he ran away and threw himself on the ground prostrate with grief.

Suffering ones come seeking relief from various ills and often simple remedies are blessed to their healing. As the year closes bubonic plague has begun its deadly work in one village where there are Christians—a testing time for them.

The need of the Christians makes it imperative that we give them all the instruction possible, and their work leaves them few leisure hours, hence we try to take advantage of the time when they are free. In some lives there is manifest indication of growth, conviction of sin and an appreciation of the cost and value of salvation. Others still love the world and the things of the world more than the things of God. One poor widow to whom the matter had not been mentioned brought out a rupee for a Thank-Offering. As the only clothes either she or her children have are old ones begged from those whom they serve, her gift seems closely related to the widow's mite. In one village where formerly there was a worker, the Christians are very insistent that a capable man be sent them. More and more the demand is for educated and trained men and women. The only Christian woman in all this district who can read the Bible is a girl who was taken out of school to be married when she lacked two years of finishing the Grammer School and she will soon be going to her husband's home in another district. On her own initiative she is carrying on a weekly meeting with the women of her home village while she is there. A few girls are in school and we hope they may be fitted for service in this or some other district. In October we were praying for a Bible woman, but none was in sight; however by the time we were ready for camp God had sent one both trained and experienced who gives the message clearly and forcefully.

HENRIETTA MOORE

AVALON GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

The school work of the year has moved along much as usual. We have an increased number of little girls in the Primary Department this year and they are most interesting. They say some very amusing things sometimes. One morning in chapel, while the Scripture lesson was being read, one little tot who had just come into the school, piped up with, "Miss Sahiba ji, will you get me some shoes and stockings just like yours?" I find it very interesting to go into their Bible class to hear their stories.

We have four Mohammedan girls from one family in the Boarding Department of the school and two little Sikh girls. Five Mohammedan girls and one Hindu come as day pupils. Our prayer is that they may be drawn to Christ through their contact with the Christian girls, and that our Christian girls will live so as to radiate the love of Christ and exert the right influence.

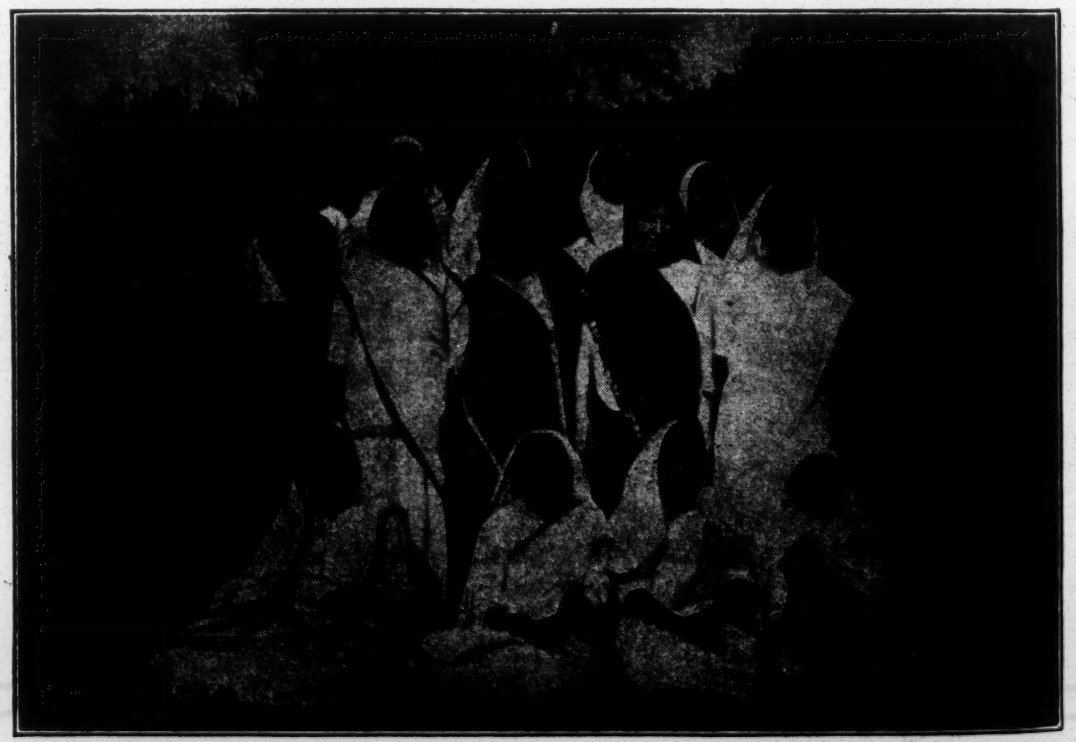
The Mohammedan girls in the Boarding Department have been in the school for some time and we believe they are truly Christian. They are earnest girls and attend prayers and the various meetings and take part just as the others do. The two older girls would like to join the church but it is very hard when the parents object. The eldest girl, who finishes this year, feels that if she would take this step, her parents might take the others out of school. She says she is a Christian anyway.

The girls have been doing very well in their Bible classes. In the Bible examination last spring—the examination which is open for all Missions schools of the Punjab—our girls made a splendid showing.

Every Friday afternoon the various classes meet in their own rooms for their prayer bands. This year each class was given a Thank-Offering jug, and their Thank-Offerings were a good bit larger as a result. They enjoyed the time they broke their jugs and they all want them again this year. In both the Junior and Young Women's Missionary Societies they had very interesting Thank-Offering services—each class choosing one to represent that class in telling for what they are thankful.

In the prayer band meetings one finds it very encouraging to hear the girls remembering in prayer the different matters we have on our hearts. Even the little girls show great interest in these meetings, all wanting to take part. Twelve girls united with the church this past year.

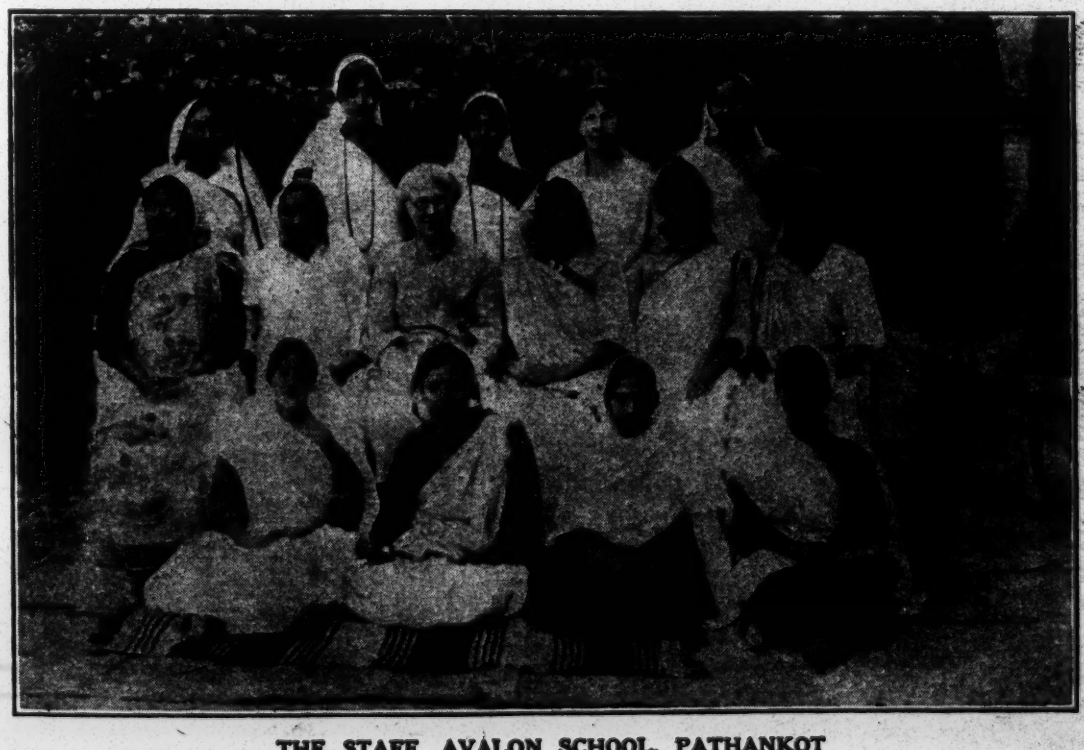
The first class for Matriculation examination in 1914 numbered only two, that of 1926 numbers fourteen. The largest class before this, numbered ten. This examination marks the finishing of high school and the



THE CLASS OF 1926 AVALON HIGH SCHOOL WITH MISS GRAHAM

questions are set by the University of the Punjab. Passing this examination gives entrance to college or Normal Training school. The above figures mark the progress of the school but do not show the possible progress for the lack of dormitory and class room space limits the attendance. During the past year thirty-one were refused admittance. The number of pupils enrolled at the close of the year 143, and the total enrollment for the year was 169, fourteen of whom were day pupils. Of the 169, 155 are Christian girls. Of the fourteen who are not Christians, one is a Hindu, two Sikhs, and eleven Mohammedans. Seven of the Mohammedans and one of the Sikhs have been boarders. The number of day pupils has increased, there having been thirty during the year. Because of our primary school for Mohammedan girls in the city, their attendance in Avalon has not been greater; and because Hindu is not taught as the vernacular language, we have had but one Hindu girl. The interest shown in Bible classes and religious services by our non- Christian girls has been gratifying, and the influence of the Christian staff and pupils on the lives had been marked. The ten earnest young Christian women who compose our staff are doing much to mold the lives of the pupils who are being trained for service.

Better Equipment for the school is gradually being provided. The library deserves special mention, for the girls have been making good use of it under the direction of a pupil teacher who acts as librarian. This is broadening their outlook on the world. The interest of the staff and pupils in Golden Rule Sabbath is shown by a substantial contribution, which represented self sacrifice, no other contribution being accepted. We feel that their own land of India



THE STAFF, AVALON SCHOOL, PATHANKOT

with her needs is making a greater appeal to them than other lands. Pray that the burden of India may be upon their hearts.

E. JOSEPHINE MARTIN,
VIDA GRAHAM

CITY GIRLS' SCHOOL, PATHANKOT

A visiting lady, after seeing the dirt and filth of an Indian city, said, "I never could stand to work in such a place. It nauseates me." Not long ago when I was going through the streets of Pathankot on one of my regular visits to our school for Mohammedan girls, what the visitor had said came to my mind, and I said to myself, it is just as hard for me as it would be for her. I can never get used to the filth and can understand better than she can the signs of moral degradation. When I arrived at the school this depressing thought was still in my mind, emphasized by the fact that the Mohammedans of the town are making an effort to close our school. I thought "We will not force ourselves upon them. Perhaps their opportunity has passed." I arrived at the school just in time for the devotional period. The teacher looked at me to enquire if I would conduct the devotional exercises, but I nodded for her to go on with them. After singing a psalm she called on several of the girls to recite Bible stories. One told about Jesus raising the widow's son to life and two told of the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist. Then the teacher said, "Rise and fold your hands and bow your heads for prayer." The forty-two little Mohammedans did so most reverently, while the teacher prayed earnestly that the seed sown might bring forth fruit and that all might give their hearts to Jesus. While they were reciting their stories I looked out of the window over the flat tops of the houses, where so many live in poverty, dirt and sin, to the snow-clad Himalayas, glistening in the morning light, and prayed, "Wash these girls, and they shall be whiter than snow."

After prayers I asked to see the sewing and how proud the pupils were to show the progress they had made. The teachers were quite excited when they told me that five or six former pupils came every morning for the sewing period to learn to sew and do Indian embroidery work, which one of the teachers is able to teach them.

When I left the school I did not notice the dirty streets. I said to myself, "It has been worth while to touch the lives of these little Mohammedan girls." The mothers' meetings have been well attended and their interest has been encouraging. If the school should be closed, may the seed which has been sown during the year bring forth fruit.

E. JOSEPHINE MARTIN

THE ELLIOTT DISPENSARY, PATHANKOT

The work of the past year has been most encouarging. The Elliott Dispensary is reaching an ever widening circle of villages. Many of the patients come from villages twenty miles or more among the foot-hills.

The Gospel message was faithfully taught and listened to with great interest. Our Bible teacher is a convert from Hinduism and is very

highly respected by all the different castes. One of the outstanding encouragements is the growing interest we see taken in the story of the Cross, and of the full and free salvation offered through Jesus Christ.

The total attendance for the year has been 20,621.

E. W. MACONACHIE

GURDASPUR DISTRICT

Some one has remarked, "After so many years of work in India, you must find the work much easier." It is true that we do find it easier, however, there are always new problems. God has raised up from among the people of India, helpers who are a great encouragement to us, and through whom we see great things accomplished.

There is one fact above all others borne in upon us and that is that India must be won for Christ through the church. An illiterate church can never become a powerful factor in the life of India or play an adequate part in its evangelization. The illiteracy of the church therefore is our great concern these days.

Our work this year has been more to intensify than to extend, and the results of this work have been very satisfactory. It seems to take about a month for a new thought or lesson to be assimilated by the mind of the average village woman. For this reason our monthly missionary society meetings have been most effective.

The thought that has been continually before us this year is the tremendous need of the Saviour both for ourselves and for the world and the result has been wonderful spirit of prayer among the village women of our missionary societies.

While the care of the church has been our first work, yet along with this we have given the message to some two thousand Hindu and Mohammedan women. Not once have we been refused a hearing, nor has the assertion been made that "Our religion is just as good as yours." The usual attitude of the women has been that of despair, their thought being, "How can it be for us?" And yet amid all this darkness we do remember that the darkest hour is just before the dawn.

F. C. MARTIN

HOME FOR WOMEN, GURDASPUR

How can the work in the Home be reported? It is just a little influence here, a word there, a bit of advice, a quiet talk, a word of warning, and so the days have passed.

Forty women have been cared for in the Home during the year. This number does not include the grown-up orphan school girls who spend their summers with us. The work among the children will be reported separately.

Women come to the Home for various reasons. For example, one is a young wife, a Christian girl whose husband deserted her and turned Mohammedan in order to marry a Mohammedan wife. The girl stayed for some time with her husband's people, but found that she could not longer live a pure life there. She had great difficulty leaving her home because the relatives were determined to keep her. She is happy in the Home and is learning to read. An-

other instance: A Mohammedan woman came to us some months ago. Her life was in danger in her own home. She has confessed Christ now; and is very sincere in her new faith. She prays daily for her husband and little boys that they too may come to know of salvation in Christ. Another: A homely middle aged widow would be comparatively safe out in her village but her two girls would be the pray of avaricious relatives who would be all too ready to sell them in marriage. The girls are reading in one of our boarding schools. The mother had an offer of marriage a few months ago. We thought the man must be rather hard up for a wife, but Jowali declined. She said she had tried it twice and that was enough. Then, too, she had two girls who were growing up. A new husband might not be good to them.

A lady of the Presbyterian Mission sent a young woman servant to us while she herself was to be away in the hills during the summer. When Mando went back this lady wrote to thank us for what the Home had done for her. She said Mando never tired of telling her of the Bible classes, the morning and evening worship, the times in the prayer room and of all she had learned in the Home.

The prayer room has been a blessing to many, and we would acknowledge with gratitude to God the number of answers He has given us. Not only have temporal wants been supplied, but many spiritual blessings have been received and time and again the enemy has been defeated.

As the year drew to its close everyone was glad in the thought of Miss Anderson's return.

The close of the year 1925 finds us with thirty-one children in the Home, the youngest of whom is a dear little baby girl born in the Home, October 14th, 1925. During the year fifty-three children have been cared for, of whom some have gone to boarding school, some have left with their parents, and a few Christ has called to be with Him. We are always glad when they can leave to be in homes where they learn to know the real mother love for their hearts hunger for it.

Most of them are too young to read. But they are good at learning to sing the Psalms and to recite Bible verses. They learn the Golden Texts every week and it is wonderful how they remember these texts. They know the choruses of a large number of Psalms, and while they struggle along as the others sing the verses, or calmly listen to them, they are always ready to join lustily in the chorus.

Like most children their Christmas wants were many and various. Everything from a mouth organ to a motor, "the kind Dr. Gordon has." He had quite won their hearts by taking them out riding in his truck. We were glad to supply as many of their smaller wants as possible, and now we rejoice to hear that even their largest want is to be supplied. Owing to the kind generosity of friends at home, Miss Anderson will soon be presenting to the women and children a Ford truck.

We wish to thank the friends in India and America who have made so many things possible for our little

Indian babies, through your gifts and prayers. We especially say "thank you" to so many children who have shared their toys with their little brothers and sisters in India. May each one have the joy that comes to those who make others happy.

N. A. HADLEY,
GERTRUDE ZINK

GUJRANWALA PRESBYTERIAL

Gujranwala Presbyterial covers the bounds of the two presbyteries of Gujranwala and Lyallpur. Gujranwala station is one of the largest and oldest in our field as regards Mission Work. For many years school and zenana work has been carried on in the city by the missionaries and Bible women, as well as in the numerous villages of the district, which contain a large community of Christians. The work became so large that a few years ago this district had to be divided, a portion being separated to form the new district of Eminabad. The little village schools for girls of these two districts have not much scholastic standing, but they are producing real leadership in some of the villages. On account of shortage of missionaries Khangah Dogran at the present time stands vacant, the work being cared for from the new station of Shiekhupura. Here we enter upon the "bar" (the new country opened up by the irrigation canals). Martinpur, bearing the name of one of our pioneer missionaries, is a christian village occupied by immigrants from our older districts, who were granted land by the Government when the canal colonies were founded. Here a Girls' School is awaiting the erection of the new building to be called the "Jane Denham Memorial." The neighboring station of Sangla Hill has the famous and well equipped Boarding School for Girls. Farther south we have Lyallpur, where there is a flourishing Girls' Primary School and work for women in the city. All these districts also have village work for Christian and non-Christian women, as the following reports show.

GUJRANWALA DISTRICT

We find it difficult to tabulate a years work in the district because there are so many villages and so many women and girls, and so little organization. Many of the non-Christians are met once or twice and then pass out of our knowledge forever. There are, however, many things for which to praise, as well as many which lay great burdens on our

Interested group at a village Thank-Offering meeting in Gujranwala District

hearts. Many Hindu and Mohammedan women have responded to the story of the Saviour's love and have told us that this must be the One they have wanted to know for so long. They have not yet come out and left all, however, and we long that they may do this as he leads them. A Hindu woman, after sending from her home, all who in any way might hinder or be unsympathetic, asked us to go on and tell her more and more of the wonderful Saviour of whom she had heard just a few days before. In the same village a Hindu leader said that he and others had started to read the Gospels, but when they got to the Cross they could not go on for weeping because of Christ's suffering to save a lost world. We found relatives of a boy convert receptive and giving evidence that they, too, loved our Lord. An old Mohammedan woman insisted on learning to pray in Christ's name before we left her. She is blind, and the next time we sought her out she seemed less interested because Jesus had not yet restored her sight when she had asked Him to do it for her. We tried to lead her to know Him, but she is so old that she finds it hard to understand. We can only pray that the light of Heaven may flood her soul. We remember a village where a hush seemed to pervade the whole place as many of the people for the first time listened to the message of God's wondrous love. The two Bible Women, Raj Kumari and Alice are much used among the non-Christian as well as among the Christian women. These two women have a great passion for souls and they never weary of telling others of their Saviour.

The work among the Christians brings a strange mixture of joy and sorrow. We are often amazed at the purity and simplicity of their faith and at the whole-souled devotion of their lives, but many times we are pained to the heart at the indifference to, and utter neglect of, any means of which they might avail themselves to know God in a real way. The need of revival in the Church is so great that we feel time spent in intercession for this is perhaps the most important use of our time. There are many signs that God is answering our prayers for this but we must not let go until He blesses. Please join with us in prayer that the whole Punjab Church may be revived and empowered and equipped for the great task before her,—that of interpreting Christ to the whole province and to the regions beyond. Every once in a while we see things that greatly encourage and hearten us. A fine Christian woman had passed through great sorrow, and in her terrible need another woman reminded her of the old superstitions and idolatrous customs which she had given up and which in their opinion might be the cause of this great sorrow; she was bewildered and broken with grief and knew not where to turn. We have seen her come out of this trial strong and true, and able to look up into her Father's face and even thank Him. A little Christmas service which some village Christians were holding all alone and which we happened to look in upon gave us much reason for praise. The little mud building was crowded with people; they had left their work and had forgotten their need and poverty for the

time being and were giving God such wholehearted praise as one seldom hears. The very joy of Heaven seemed to rest upon them as they worshipped God that day and thanked Him for having sent his Son. Another day the women from a group of villages came together for a Thank-Offering service which we, at least, will long remember. Their bright garments were very attractive in the winter sunshine as they came across the fields to our camp. More than a hundred came and the Thank-Offering was gladly given because of their hearts love. Just yesterday we had a long talk with a young pastor who had recently taken up work in a new field. As he told of his vision of his work and prayers for his people, and of their response to the effort which he and his splendid wife are putting forth, we again took courage and praised for the brighter day that we feel is soon to dawn for many of the village churches.

The village school work is difficult and often baffles all our efforts. The lives of the girls who have gone out from these schools into homes of their own in other villages, and who have taken with them a great love for their Saviour and a spirit of helpfulness for the other women,—these quite justify any trouble we have taken.

Our plea is for a great burden of real intercessory prayer to ascend from hearts and homes in America for the Church, and for the us-saved, in India.

HAZEL BENNETT
RUTH ARDREY

GUJRANWALA CITY

The zenana work has gone on very much as usual except that during the past year four women have received baptism. One of the was not taught by the regular zenana workers, but by Miss Mookerjea. The woman says she first heard about Jesus Christ from a little Moslem girl and what she heard gave her a thirst and hunger to hear more because she believed that Jesus was the Saviour. Two years later she went to Miss Mookerjea and worked that she might earn her food and have daily Bible lessons. After some weeks she was baptized. Thirty women and girls had regular Bible lessons during the year, and one thousand five hundred and twenty-five women and girls heard the Gospel message. There are two schools for Christian girls in the suburbs of the city with an enrollment of forty-eight; seven of these read the New Testament very nicely. This is a real accomplishment when one understands how difficult it is for girls who work in the city to make real progress in school. The girls from both school, and their teachers, attend Sabbath School in the city each week. Two weekly prayer meetings have been kept up. Ten of the Christian women have passed the Bible Course given for village Christians and they are now learning the new course prepared by the Mission for this year. They lead in prayer in the meetings and seem interested.

ROSE A. MCCULLOUGH

GUJRANWALA CITY GIRLS' SCHOOL

For more than thirty years this school has been one of the contacts our Mission has had with the people

of Gujranwala City. This is a city of about 45,000 people, and there are only two other girls' schools of any rank in the City. The attendance, while not so large as in former years, has been about ninety. The head mistress is Miss K. M. Mookerjea, whose faithful work and strong witness have often been mentioned in former reports. She has been advancing in years and the demands of school work have told upon her strength so that for some months she has been compelled to absent herself from the school that has been honored by her faithful work. It is hoped that the Mission will relieve her from the burden of school work with its many exactions, to devote all her time to the work dearest to her heart,—that of carrying the message of Christ to her non-Christian sisters in this city. Many of the women already know and love her; she has taught them in school and they respect and honor her. They have already heard the message of Christ both from her lips and from her life. The school will need a new head mistress and a strong Christian staff. There is real opportunity to give the message of Salvation in a school of this kind. The Bible has always been taught effectively, and the promise that "My Word shall not return unto me void but shall accomplish that whereunto I sent it," stands as our encouragement. The fact that there have been conversions from this school and that the school has rallied so well from days of testing and trial gives us hope for more fruit in the future. We hope that those who read this report will pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth reapers into this field so that our responsibility for the souls of the women of Gujranwala may be fully met. Pray that God may provide a good and faithful head mistress and the needed Christian teachers for the school so that it may continue to be a great light-house for the rescue of many souls.

MARGARET H. LAING

EMINABAD DISTRICT

For the past year the non-Christians in Eminabad District have been unusually attentive to the Gospel Message. Occasionally they refuse to listen. In one village the Bible woman and I were driven out by the Akali Sikhs. The women wanted to hear but the men would not let them. In another village, as soon we arrived, the women began crowding around us and the small courtyard was soon filled with women, both Christian and Mohammedan. Others crowded around on the flat roofs of the houses above us. As I talked to them of Jesus, the Son of God, they sat quietly and listened well. About eighty, including six or seven men, listened to the Word of God. The work has been very interesting and encouraging.

The work among the Christians, in some places, is also quite encouraging. Forty girls are attending the village schools. I long that they may all have a deeper knowledge of God and a deeper life in Him.

E. B. BROYLES

LYALLPUR DISTRICT

As we look over the work of the past year it seems that little has been accomplished among the Christians. We are confronted by ignorance and

indifference on all sides. Nothing but the Spirit of Christ can ever revel to them His beauty and the heinousness of their sins before Him. Pray that a revival may come to them and that the eyes of their understanding may be opened to see Him and to want to serve Him. We believe that this desire has come to the wife of one of our workers for she really seems to have a burden for the women of her flock. She has a new personal interest in them all, and in the non-Christians as well. She told us when we were camping there that since her children are all away at school she has more time to herself and would like to do real Bible Women's work among them. She does not want to be considered a Bible Woman in that she would receive money for her work, but wants to do it for love's sake.

The hearts of the Mohammedan women seem harder than ever, but a fine spirit of inquiry in the hearts of some of the older Sikh women is evident. One old Sikhni came to us with a sweet, calm light on her face and was hungry to hear all we could tell her. After listening for some time she asked us if we would like her to sing a hymn; upon telling her we would she sat up straight and made her hands go as though she were playing an organ and sang four or five verses of a hymn telling of Christ's coming into the world and suffering and dying for sinners. When we asked her how she learned this she said that many years ago she lived near Amritsar and a Missionary had come to her village with a "baby" organ and had told them of Christ and taught them this song. She remembered it all these years, (even to imitating the organ), and in her heart seems to believe. May we not believe that she, and others like her, have a saving faith! We have never sold so many Bibles and Gospel portions as this year. True, not many of these portions have been sold to the women but their influence is bound to reach them.

JANNETTE HOWLAND
ESTHER MOYER

LYALLPUR CITY

The Bible Woman reports about two hundred Hindu and Mohammedan homes in which the Gospel message has been given frequently during the past year. Many welcome her because she tells of Jesus Christ, of whom they say, "He is one of our Prophets who is coming again." Some will acknowledge at times that He came to save sinners. One woman wishes to confess Him openly but fears the wrath of her bigoted husband. My own visits have been largely confined to homes of the girls of our own Mission school and to the members of an Indian Ladies Club. In the homes pride and bigotry are often Satan's strongholds, and superstition and ignorance hold the citadel of hearts in others. Some women, who declare so confidently in the presence of others that their own religion is one that God intended for them show little interest in the teaching about Christ, listen, when alone, with eager, thoughtful attention to Christ's claim on their lives, but how difficult it is to get a woman alone! Sometimes a mother-in-law is the hindrance, sometimes a husband or son listening to our conversation

from an adjoining room or sometimes a visiting neighbor. One woman, who in order to get the English has been reading John's Gospel, recently learned the "I am" sayings of Jesus Christ and her bigotry seemed to be weakening when very suddenly her husband was transferred and she left the city. Pray that Christ's words may yet be God's message to her. A Mohammedan woman, wholly ignorant of Jesus Christ, came to our home and heard of Him with joy. In memorizing verses and Psalms during the two weeks she was with us, she seemed to forget the great sorrow that brought her here. Then suddenly she disappeared. Our prayers follow her that the memory of the new life she saw and rejoiced in here may cause her to find the life in Christ. A young Hindu man, whose mother has given repeated evidence of her faith in Jesus Christ, told me a year ago that he had no faith in the Hindu religion, nor could he believe Christian teaching. Now he frankly says he believes Christianity is the truth and that many young men like himself wish to be Christians but find it impossible to meet the opposition of relatives and friends. May he, and others, soon see their need and be willing to pay the cost of following Christ.

L. A. McCONNELL

LYALLPUR CITY GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

In a Mohammedan home recently where several mothers of our school girls were present, one said to me, "You teach our little girls in your school that Jesus Christ is the only Saviour and you should not do this for we have our own Prophet." This remark explains in part why there are less Mohammedan names on the roll at the close of 1925 than a year ago. In October, a Hindu school for little girls was opened only a few doors from our school. Notwithstanding constant opposition to the Mission school, and the increasing popularity of the large well equipped Government school, the total enrollment this year has been larger than before. Perhaps the greatest work the school is accomplishing is teaching the children to pray. In the Bible classes daily, one or more of the girls is called on to pray and as she rises and leads in prayer, heads of Mohammedan, Hindu and Christian girls alike are bowed in reverence. The headmistress was absent a week on account of illness and when she returned several of the girls told her they had been praying for her. A Mohammedan girl, backward in her class work, was ill and a little friend prayed daily for her recovery, and after her return prayed that God would give her a heart of love and help her every day to get her lessons. A beautiful little tot of five years asked her teacher to tell her a prayer to say before she ate her food. Her first prayer in school was that Jesus would punish naughty girls and whip with a ruler those who do not learn their lessons, but she has not repeated that prayer. A bright child in the Fifth Class, whose mother had instructed her not to learn the Gospel stories about Jesus Christ, did not try to do well in her Bible examination last April. Now she prays in the name of Jesus and says she remembers her lessons better since she began to pray. May the simple

trustful faith that God hears prayers offered in the name of Jesus Christ abide in after years when these dear girls have gone out from the influence of Christian teaching in a Mission school.

L. A. McCONNELL

SANGLA HILL DISTRICT AND CITY

As we look back over the year it seems that we must have done very little for we see so little accomplished, yet each day has been full. Much of the work seems to count little for the Master, but at the time seems very necessary. Pray for us that we may have wisdom to know how to accomplish the necessary work.

Three Girls' Schools have been started in the District, two of which had to be closed; one because of the teacher's illness, and the other because the teacher took her pupils and went cotton picking. When the cotton season was over the girls did not return to school. The school that is still open is taught by a woman with two small children of her own. About ten girls and twenty small boys attend.

A new Missionary Society has been started, and we have hopes that at least two more may be started this year; also that a Junior Society may be organized.

Medical work is increasing and thus an entrance is gained into many homes otherwise closed. We often hear the expression, "God blesses this medicine."

In a village, about a mile away, to which Miss Moore and I walked yesterday, an old woman said to us, "Look at this cheap shirt; you should give me a warm coat." We said "Do you live in a great big house? Jesus said, 'In my fathers house are many mansions,' etc. Do you want fine clothes? Jesus will clothe you with righteousness," etc., etc. We told them that the way to gain all this wealth was through Jesus, and all learned the verse, "The blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth us from all sin." When they expressed a desire for us to stay and teach them more, we reminded them that there was an Indian worker there who was ready to do that. They replied, "Yes, that is true, he is willing but we have not been willing. Now we want to learn and we will learn from him, and will go to church." We find open hearts and open homes. If our entering in is "not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit," the harvest will be abundant. Pray for us and pray for them. "The effectual, fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

S. A. MOORE
LORENA B. TAYLOR

SANGLA HILL DISTRICT AND CITY

Regular work was carried on in the District until our Missionary and his family went home on furlough. After that the difficulty of transportation restricted us to work in the city and in villages near enough to be reached by walking. When transportation facilities become available we visited some fifty villages, several of which were visited more than once. Shahkot, a large town twelve miles from Sangla Hill, was visited with some regularity and we were very much pleased to find the women receptive to the Gospel message. One woman whom we met had lived in

Amritsar and had purchased a Gospel portion at the Mission Hospital She was very glad to see us, saying, "Now I can get another Gospel." She had given her's to a friend. Pray that she and her friend may be brought to know Jesus Christ as their Saviour.

MARGARET FEHLMAN

SANGLA HILL CITY GIRLS' SCHOOL

This School had to be closed, because the teacher, the wife of a railway employee who had lost his position, moved to their village to live. She started a little school there and he learned to weave. They were getting along nicely but could not find a house to rent and so were living with some of his relatives. The village houses have only one or two rooms. Early in the summer she asked me to give her work in Sangla Hill and gave as the reason that there were eleven of them living in one room. The husband was part owner of a loom in his village and I finally offered to loan them the money necessary to buy the other's share of the loom. They moved back to the city and she re-opened the school. When the girls who had formerly read in her school heard that she was coming to the city again they were very happy and promised to come back to school. The eldest of these girls had been married in the meantime but she is still attending school.

Our school at Ratti Chak was also closed in the fall on account of the illness of the teacher. We pray that some of the girls who were reading in this school may be allowed to enter our Boarding School.

There was one vacation-school held this summer, taught during her vacation by a girl attending the Lahore Government Normal School. She did very good work during those two months, and we are hoping that she may be ready to take up this work permanently when she graduates this spring. The school was in the village where her father lives and there were fifteen or sixteen girls in attendance. If it were a regular school more girls would attend, and the non-Christian, also, would be willing to send their girls.

MARGARET FEHLMAN

SANGLA HILL GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL

Brightness and joy came into the lives of one hundred and forty girls through this School during the year 1925. The teachers seem to have taken a greater interest in their work, thus increasing that of the children. One teacher recently remarked that the children of her class had said the whole day's work seemed but an hour in length, and that they would like to spend more time in class. The teacher's face beamed as she told this, and she saw anew the value of presenting her work in the most interesting way possible to her pupils.

Perhaps the most interesting incident of the school year was a visit by the Governor to see the school buildings. He was pleased, and especially so, when he learned that these unusual buildings had been planned and built by missionaries! He expressed his appreciation to some of the Government Educationalists, with the result that the school has been visited by the Inspector of

the District and later by the Inspector of the Punjab, and the plans have been copied that they might be studied by the Department of Education. We are very glad that they have appreciated this plan, which is to us an ideal one for a Girl's School.

Early in the fall an Educational Secretary from Rajputana, M. E. Mission, came to see the buildings. He asked permission to have the plans photographed and published in an Educational Journal in that part of India. The Open Air Class Rooms, built during the summer, met with just as many words of appreciation as did the cottages where the girls live. A much needed store-room has also been built during the year, thus making our work in the Boarding Department much more satisfactory.

The saddest incident of the year was the death of a little girl who had been in school but two months. She had had fever for two days but there seemed to be nothing unusual about it as we have so much malaria in Sangla. At noon one day we were called as she had taken a strange turn, but after some attention seemed to go to sleep in a natural way. About three hours later we were again called, but we could do nothing; she was dying, never having regained consciousness. This is the hardest part of the work in a Boarding School. We are far from a hospital, but we are still hoping that the day may soon come when we shall have a nurse to help us in bearing this great responsibility.

Seven girls appeared for the Eighth Grade Government Examination and all passed with very good grades. The teacher, who has taught this grade for years, is now taking two years leave to attend college; she has saved money to pay her own expenses while there, and is doing very good work.

In the fall a little girl was given to us from the police courts. One day I asked her about her father's occupation, and she said, "He steals." Poor child! She did not realize the sin of her father and felt no shame. One of her eyes is so scarred that she cannot see with it; and the other is also scarred, but so far her vision has not been wholly destroyed. Pray that this little one, picked up from the midst of sin, may truly become a child of the King.

The work of the Sabbath School, Christian Endeavor Society and Missionary Societies, has been carried on as usual. Our Thank-Offering was $30.00.

Pray for us all—Missionaries, Teachers and Girls,— that we may study to know His Word and in truth be doers of it.

FLORA JAMESON
JEAN BLACK

SHIEKHUPURA AND KHANGAH DOGRAN DISTRICTS

The work among the non-Christians in the village is truly a work of faith, the giving of the message *once* as effectively as may be and passing on, leaving the result with Him who alone knows all hearts. *We* pass on. We may meet some of them again the next year, or a few for several years in succession, but in most cases we shall probably not meet again. Surely if a brief message given once, or if again only after a year's interval, is to be ef-

fective to salvation, we must realize that the Holy Spirit can do His work with very meagre material.

As we enter a strange village shall we turn up this street or that? If we are living in the Spirit surely He will guide our unconscious steps to those He has prepared for our coming. Sometimes we find hungry souls who listen eagerly and seem to drink in the Gospel message, but more often there seems to be no more than friendliness and often mere curiosity. Sometimes Mohammedans and Sikhs are openly hostile and Hindus only veil it with a polite manner but are no more really receptive. The Sikhs are not quite so hostile as they were two or three years ago when Akali movement was at its heighth. Sometimes door after door opens up; sometimes not one. In one village we have failed to get an entrance the last two years, while before that we were only tolerated in the house of the headman because of his official position. It is not easy to walk the streets of a strange village with a rabble of curious children at our heels and the people gazing curiously or scornfully. In such a case we find as quiet a place as possible and stand there with a crowd around us and tell a Bible story using a picture. But often such a crowd is so noisy, pushing and jostling each other and us, that we cannot make ourselves heard. This, however, is the exception; usually we get an entrance more or less friendly. At the other extreme is a recent experience. Since our previous trip to a certain village a Mohammedan family had moved in. The family of the eldest brother had lived in Lahore and had the children in school until the eldest son finished College and went to England for further study. During this time the two young daughters had attended excellent schools in Lahore; but when the family moved to their village the girls were not allowed to enter any of the Boarding Schools, though the arrangements are excellent, because it was not according to their custom. They are very sweet, attractive, refined girls, and they would have liked to get a better education but there could be nothing else but submission to the father's dictum. Not wishing to take exception to the father's decision before the daughters, I said to them that while they were of course sorry and disappointed, yet there had been great progress since the generation before them and that they would see that the generation following them would get still better opportunities. To this their father's sister agreed, saying that although her father had been an enlightened liberal man, she had not had opportunities to compare with those her nieces had had. They insisted upon giving us tea that day and also that we must come back another day and have a meal. Both times I was asked to read the Bible and they listened very respectfully. The aunt had until recently lived in Gujranwala. She had known the Misses McCullough and Bennett and the India women workers there for many years and spoke very highly of them all but was especially loud in her praises of Miss McCullough for the kindness and love she had shown. Most of the teaching this family had received they had received while living in the larger

cities where the work is concentrated. We see many in the villages who, while they have not had the same opportunity for culture, are very attractive and have a natural refinement. We covet these choice souls for Him. If in spite of their ignorance they are so attractive what might they not become if they could only come to know Him Who is altogether lovely! Ours then it is to sow the seed not only faithfully but in faith, asking that each day's steps and messages may be led and controlled by the Spirit, and leave the result with Him knowing He can bring to the truly seeking souls both the further knowledge and the human help they need.

Work among the village Christian women in these districts continues to be both encouraging and discouraging. In some of the villages the women and girls have learned more Bible stories this year than last, with the result that their spirit and interest are better; while in other villages the opposite is true. In several of the circles of villages the teachers have been more careless than usual in their work, but in some places the women have not thereby suffered, for in the larger Christian communities where there are young girls or young married women who can read, a number of them have taken the responsibility upon themselves of teaching the Bible stories to the women. They have done wonderfully good work and have rendered a great service. We feel this to be a real advancement in the women's work for as the educated girls and women become interested in teaching their less fortunate sisters and take this burden from the shoulders of the overworked teachers, then the work among the women will make more rapid progress. And now this work has really started.

M. R. MARTIN
V. L. TRIMBLE

SHIEKHUPURA CITY

Fazl Bibi Khiwa Mal has continued her faithful work in Shiekhupura during the past year. With her bright friendly manner she is a welcome visitor to all classes whose constant complaint is that she does not come oftener. The work is far more than she can handle and she often begs us to arrange for another Bible woman. We do need one sorely and this is the time when Shiekhupura should be really occupied for it is rapidly building up and a large proportion of the homes are accessible and we should be getting in touch with them now; it would be easier to do so now while they are still newcomers. However, although we have been looking for one, a suitable Bible Woman is very difficult to find and so much of our time is taken up with the heavy work of Shiekhupura and Khangah Dogran Districts that we have not been able to give ourselves to getting in touch with the work and the people in Shiekhupura itself as we should. We are still longing and praying for another Bible Woman, and hoping also that it will not be long before it will be possible to have a missionary able to give more time to developing the work.

M. R. MARTIN

SHIEKHUPURA GIRLS' SCHOOL

From time to time the people of Shiekhupura have requested us to

open a school for non-Christian girls. A school was opened last spring but the average daily attendance during the spring and summer was only five or six. We had almost decided to close the school, but about Thanksgiving time the people became more interested and began to send their girls to us. Several from the Hindu and Mohammedan schools have entered ours and now the attendance averages about seventeen. We have courses in Urdu and English. The majority of the girls are from Hindu or Sikh homes where not Urdu, but Hindi or Gurmukhi are the languages used, so it is very evident they are in our school to learn English. We feel at present that our teaching is weakest in English, but we are hoping to improve that soon. These girls love the Bible stories and are learning many of them. One Hindu girl was taken out of school for a time because she was learning too much of the Bible but she came back later and is more interested than ever. We trust this interest and progress may continue and that more than English may be learned and practiced by these promising non-Christian girls.

V. L. TRIMBLE

KHANGAH DOGRAN GIRLS' SCHOOL

This school was closed for some time while the teacher went to Lahore for a two years course of Teacher Training. She returned last April and re-opened the school. Great interest has been shown and a number of the girls who had been in the school before have returned, or the smaller sisters of those girls have entered. The teacher's work is much improved since her course in training, and as she herself is greatly interested in the work of the school, which is making real progress. The attendance is rather irregular but there is an average of eighteen or twenty girls daily. Her best work is her Bible teaching and the children, even though they are all from non-Christian families, love the Bible stories.

V. L. TRIMBLE

MARTINPUR GIRLS' SCHOOL

In regard to numbers and quality of the work, we have much the same report to make as last year. The Inspectress at the time of her visit considered it excellent for a village school but said that of course it could not be expected to be up to the standard of the Boarding Schools. To bring up the standard we need more thorough supervision for it and that means, for the present at least, that some missionary must give more of her time to it. So far, the missionary in charge has had a heavy burden of other work and it has been impossible to give the school adequate attention. If a missionary could give more time to the school, making it largely *her job*, not only could much more be done educationally for the girls, but the school could be made a community center for the women's work, thus enabling us to do much more for them.

In last year's report we expressed our thankfulness and gratitude for the special gift of $5000.00 to erect a new building which is to be called the "Jane Denham Memorial." Things have been moving very slowly, largely because our Mission build-

er has had so much other building work which has been pressing for attention that it has been impossible for him to do much for this; but he hopes soon to be able to begin it.

M. R. MARTIN

RAWAL PINDI PRESBYTERIAL

Rawal Pindi Presbyterial is quite unlike the other Presbyterials in that it contains a fewer number of Christians. Except in the larger centers and some parts of Sargodha District there are practically no Christians. The work is all "seed-sowing." The people seem to partake of the character of the country, for they are rough and hard, and set high and fast in their false religion of Mohammedanism even as their villages are set upon the rough hilly country. Generally speaking they are not agriculturists, but traders and herders.

Long and patient has been the missionary effort among them, and yet many remain hard and unapproachable. From the following reports you will see that there are signs of a breaking down of their walls of unbelief. In the centers this is shown in new church organizations and new church buildings; in the cities new homes are opening to the zenana workers; in the day schools we find the Bible becoming the popular subject; while in the boarding school in Sargodha the new buildings are filled almost as soon as completed.

In this sort of a field, hospitals and dispensaries are the best opening wedge. We have hospitals for women in Jhelum and Sargodha, and dispensaries at Bhera and Kala. The latter has been closed for over a year because of lack of workers, but was re-opened in December. In the General Hospitals at Taxila a lady missionary is in charge of the Evangelistic work among the women.

There is something fine and inspiring in conquering by the grace of the Lord Jesus such stalwart, fierce peoples.

JHELUM DISTRICT

Missionaries in Jhelum district meet with difficulties in traveling about. Many of the villages are situated on rocky hillsides, or perched on the top of some rugged bluff. They are picturesque and form a beautiful silhouette against an evening sky, but are difficult of access. Last year in reaching the women of this district, approximately forty miles were traveled on ponies or mules, twenty in native carts, and twenty-five on foot. Then the usual tour of about a hundred and forty miles was made by means of the faithful Ford. In addition to this, fifteen villages were reached from Jhelum city.

The work is almost entirely among non-Christians and is still in the seed sowing stage. There are many homes where we are given a real welcome, and we often find hearers who frankly admit that there is nothing in the religion of Mohammed that satisfies the heart's longing or brings a sense of acceptance with God. Several times I have overheard women saying, "Yes, Jesus was a great prophet, and He is ours too." We have also found not a few who turned us away with a significant wave of the hand or with abusive words.

MARY E. LOGAN

JHELUM CITY

Work in the homes in Jhelum City has gone on steadily during the past year. The two Bible women are converts from the upper classes and know from personal experience many of the problems and heart yearnings of those whom they visit. They are able to give a powerful testimony. We believe that there are not a few women in these shut-in homes who are true believers in Jesus Christ.

MARY E. LOGAN

JHELUM GIRLS' SCHOOL

My one year in Jhelum Girl's School was a happy one, and although I am no longer in that work, I shall continue to be interested in it. Jhelum is an important Christian center where there are many people anxious for a good Anglo-Vernacular Girls' school. The fine location of our mission school made it possible for seventy-six girls to attend last year.

The school is not yet ideal. The building is poor and needs remodeling. The head mistress, although faithful, has only finished the eighth grade. Two other teachers, with the pastor's wife, as Bible teacher, complete the staff.

Because it is cheaper to send a girl to a mission boarding school than to keep her at home, many of the Christians have been patronizing the sometimes distant schools instead of the little schools in their locality. To prevent that the mission has now made a rule forbidding any girls attending a boarding school when there is a mission day school near her home. This rule has increased the attendance of these day schools. For this reason we should now put forth every effort to make them as efficient and attractive as possible.

JOSEPHINE WHITE

JHELUM HOSPITAL "GOOD SAMARITAN"

Last January Miss Jones, the Superintendent of Nurses, had to go to America for medical treatment, but after one month Dr. Wilhelmina Jongewaard arrived and took charge of the hospital. Miss Nourse, R. N. was sent here from Pasrur Hospital in place of Miss Jones. The work went on nicely, but on the third day of May, Dr. Jongewaard suddenly took ill with cholera and was called by the Master to higher service. Though she worked in our midst for only three months, she left a good impression on the workers and the patients, and is still remembered by all for her kind treatment.

The hospital was closed for six weeks in the summer and the people of the city and villages around were glad to see it re-opened.

After the Annual Mission Meeting, we were glad to get the news of Dr. Simpson's return. We are thankful to God that He made it possible for her to come out again to this needy field after an absence of more than three years. We hope that the work will go on even more successfully than before. Miss Nourse was transferred to Memorial Hospital, Sialkot, and her place is taken by Miss Hartig, R. N.

The number of new out patients last year was seven thousand, two hundred and seventeen; new and old out patients, twenty-seven thousand, seven hundred and ninety; new in

patients four hundred; new and old in patients six thousand, six hundred and fifty two; number of operations fifty three; major operations sixty-two. There is a class for indigenous midwives. Five will be going up for examination in March. The six who went up last year were all successful. Four nurses who graduated last year are given the chance to learn pharmacy in the drug room.

The Staff now consists of one missionary doctor, one Superintendent of Nurses, two Staff nurses, nine nurses in training, one compounder, one helper, and a Bible woman.

The Hospital Staff helped with the Baby Health Week which took place last year in February. One of the Staff nurses received a prize for making the best poor woman's layette. It was made of clean old rags.

(Editor's Note—Mrs. Fazl Ilahi was awarded the Kaiser i Hind Silver Medal by the Government, in recognition of her public service. In the absence of a missionary doctor she has carried on the work of Jhelum Hospital.)

MRS. FAZL ILAHI

SARGODHA NORTH DISTRICT

All through the year we have found open doors. Sometimes we were admitted because the woman or some of her friends had been in the hospital and had heard the Gospel message. Often it was through a gospel portion that had been sold at the hospital or by some of those who had gone before us. In one home we were gladly welcomed because a son was in Gordon College and because one of the women had known Miss Ella Gordon.

In another village we were received because the woman had been a neighbor of one of our Christian women in a distant city. Most often it was an acquaintance with some Bible woman or teacher. We have been impressed by the wonderful way in which the knowledge of God is increasing.

We have kept constantly at work carrying the little red, green, yellow, or blue bound gospels. We have sold them into many hands; little school boys have eagerly asked for them; women behind the closed door have bought them; on the train we have sold them to fellow passengers. "My word shall not return unto me void."

The women of Sargodha congregation and the hospital staff were helpful during the special evangelistic week in March. In fact, all through the year, they have been splendid in their co-operation.

The Ford, trailer, fireless cooker. thermos bottle, and the portable victrola have added ease and comfort to the camp life of a district missionary.

The high price of cotton has induced the Panjabi farmer to plant more cotton. This has added to the work of the village women. During cotton season we could find few of them at home during the day, so we visited them early in the morning while the dew was yet in the fields. Our Christian women have taken a keen interest in their Thank-Offering jugs and we have rarely left a village without at least a small offering. Sometimes we waited while a bit of cotton was being taken to the village store and exchanged for a silver coin, for the offering.

The number of girls reading in the village school has increased. Two small schools were in operation during the year and the several children completed the primer and received the much coveted doll. In one village two women learned to read and also received dolls. The teachers were paid a certain sum for each page taught.

A new missionary society was organized. Sargodha W. M. S. has met regularly during the year. The special object of their contributions aside from the Thank-Offering, is the building fund for the new church. A White Gift Offering by the congregation, at Christmas added a good sum. The members of the missionary society have been leaders in getting a church building fund established.

The usual summer school for the village preachers and teachers was held in June. Two classes were held for the women and one for the children. The women took a keen interest in the evangelistic meetings that were being conducted in the city gardens at that time.

"Health Week" was observed in Sargodha. The Civil Surgeon and his wife had this work in charge. The Staff of the Mary B. Reid Hospital and the teachers of the Girls' Boarding School helped in showing the exhibits. Some members of the Hospital gave lectures, and the school girls gave a Health drama. The first afternoon the lecture hall was furnished with chairs, but those who came late and had to sit on the floor were so cross and noisy that it was almost impossible to hear anything that was said. The next day all the children were removed and everybody sat on the floor, so all could hear better.

KATE A. HILL

Eventually everything new becomes old. I was one of those very new to India last year, and India was new to me. Now I feel more acquainted with India, although it will always continue to show new aspects and teach new lessons.

Last year we were busy in Sialkot five hours a day with school and language teachers. In April, we went to Landour, where the time spent in study increased to six and a half hours a day. Still we found time for fun, letter writing, hiking, and reading. Until our first year examinations were successfully passed, even our thinking was mostly done in terms of language work. But after that milestone was passed we felt that a lot of our hard work was over.

By Mission ruling, I was sent to North Sargodha, where I have been for two months. I cannot say that I have been at work much, unless following an older missionary around and saying a few words can be called work. Language study is still part of life and I spend some time each day reading Punjabi with my teacher. In the villages this year we are teaching lessons from the Acts. My lesson is Peter in Prison, and whenever we reach that point in the course in a village, I have to teach the lesson. When we are among Mohammedans I sometimes take my turn and read the story of the Prodigal Son, while Miss Hill makes the application.

The work among Christians is especially interesting to me. It is marvelous how they cling to their

belief in Jesus even when they know so little about Him. It seems so hard that we can visit the majority of our villages but once a year, even in this day of Fords. Work has been hindered by the cotton picking this fall. The women worked all day in the fields, so were really too tired at night to listen, but when we could go to the villages in the morning, they would gladly cut some time off that end of the day's work in order to listen to us.

We have real fellowship with these village Christians even though most of them are uneducated. One night we were invited to the pastor's house to dinner. We took along our magic lantern and victrola, and while Mr. Ayers was putting the lantern together, Miss Hill entertained the village crowd with the victrola. The pictures shown were of Life of Christ. In every village we find those whom we should like to know more intimately and have as real friends.

The last few days have been spent in non-Christian villages,—my first taste of such work. I have been surprised and pleased to find a knowledge of Christ among those who had no Christian neighbors. The number of women who can read is also a surprise and a joy, for we can leave gospels wherever we go, and feel sure that they will be read.

MARGARET L. MURDOCH

SARGODHA SOUTH DISTRICT

Since my return from furlough, I have spent one month itinerating in South Sargodha district. We are all new to this district, but are getting acquainted with the people and their possibilities. We camped in three different centers in December.

Our first camp was in a self support pastor's circle. We were not satisfied with the progress of the Christian community or the amount of teaching the people are getting. It is not possible for the pastor, with his meager qualifications, to minister to so many people, scattered in eight different villages, when none of these people can read for themselves. Several years have passed since missionaries have camped in this section. Our strange appearance and mode of living attracted scores of non-Christian women and girls to our tent. They listened attentively on successive visits. We invited all the Christian women from all eight villages to come to our camp for a general meeting. The program for this meeting was to consist of discussions on: The duties of a Christian mother; Women as Stewards; and The Thank-Offering. Before the meeting, opportunity was given to everyone to give a report of what she had learned during the year. We had planned to give a reward to each one who could repeat as many as four of the stories from the courses adopted by Synod for village people. At this place there was no demand for our prizes, but they seemed to get the idea that they were lacking and promised to do something next year.

Our second camp was among people who were taught by a Mission paid worker. He has a larger number of people in smaller area. They were well taught, and showed a fine spirit of cooperation. A number of men are working on the elder's course. They are making an effort

to provide a suitable house for their teacher, and have already provided a worshipping place. It is a simple platform of earth plastered over the top with mud. The women's community meeting was tried out here with gratifying results. Interest was evident. There was a good attendance. Ten women won prizes. Thank-Offering jugs were broken, and the offering amounted to $2.50.

In our last camp we had unusual experiences. We went under remonstrance, because of an epidemic of smallpox. Babu Paul had labored faithfully with this circle for a long time. During our stay there, his earthly ministry closed, and he was called to higher service. The Sabbath following Christmas this faithful old man, so frail that he could not sit erect during the whole service, observed communion with one hundred and twenty of his village people. These unread people had not had this privilege for seven years. Many of them had memorized the "Supper" chapter in preparation for the service.

KATE E. SPENCER

The past year has been one of varied experiences. The first month was spent in a camp in North Sargodha, the next two months in helping in the school, and the next two and a half in helping to entertain Sarah Daugherty Bible School, in attending the evangelistic conference, in teaching in the Summer School, and in visiting villages near Sargodha. Then I attended Language School for two months, but from then on the close of the year, I did no work because of diphtheria.

One incident stands out above all the rest of my experiences. During our camping season we went one day to a nearby village. Most of the women were in the cotton fields and were in no hurry, it seemed, to come to meet the missionaries. When they did come and we asked them questions about Bible stories, they knew practically nothing. We then asked them to say the Lord's prayer, but very few knew that. Besides being very ignorant, they were indifferent. We left the village feeling quite discouraged. During the Evangelistic week, this village was the center of a series of meetings lasting ten days. Miss Hill and Mrs Ayers visited the women again. They found a young woman there who had not been present the first time. She had attended school when a girl so could read but at that time had not even a Testament. In some way, Miss Hill impressed upon her the fact that because she could read, she had a duty in that village, and a privilege too. She persuaded the girl to buy a couple of Bible portions. Perhaps two months later we returned. Our motor had no sooner stopped than the Christian women were surrounding us. They followed us into their courtyard and were eager to tell us what they had learned. I took the children aside and heard them recite the creed, the commandments, the Lord's prayer, and several stories. By that time Miss Hill had finished her service and was ready to hear what the women had learned. I went over to listen, too. It was wonderful. Shanti, the girl who could read, had indeed been at work. She had not only taught them stories but had

gone to a nearby village where she had purchased a Psalm book, so that she could teach them to sing the Psalms. How different was our feeling as we went home that day, compared with our feelings after our first visit. Shanti is now teaching some little children to read. She is doing far more for that village than any missionary could do who is only able to visit the place about three times a year. We are praying for more like her. It is by consecrated Indians that India will become a glory to God.

"Not unto us Lord,
Not unto us,
But unto Thy name be the glory."

EDNA WARD

SARGODHA GIRLS' SCHOOL

The doors of a certain village were closed to girls of school age, until little Rabbian, aged four, came into our midst. The poor wee motherless child, too weak to stand, or even to smile, was given to us on the condition that if the life were spared she would be given back to her father. At the end of six months, she was sent home a strong healthy child. The Christians of the village who were careless and indifferent about the Gospel message, are now interested and ready to listen. It was a great joy when the doors of this village opened, and the first little girl from that place was entered in our boarding school this year. Pray with us that other little girls from the village may be sent to school. We have fifty-nine boarders, and by April will be able to enter fifty new girls.

BETSY FLEMING

SARGODHA HOSPITAL
MARY B. REID MEMORIAL

The work of the Mary B. Reid Memorial Hospital has gone on practically the same as last year, so far as the figures are concerned.

With the exception of a Hindu sweeper, and a Moslem watchman, the entire staff unites in an effort to give the Gospel to our patients. The Staff itself memorizes passages of Scripture for morning devotions and we find this a help in the day's work. All received pins for memory work.

A small percentage of our dispensary patients and practically all our in-patients come from distant villages, and hear the Gospel for the first time. During the last six months we have kept pretty close to the Birth, Death and Resurrection of Christ in all our talks, telling the same thing over many times, and asking questions until someone in the group can tell the substance of what she has heard. We find that only one out of five has mental ability to remember the message for any length of time. Hindu women buy gospel portions and read for themselves, but our patients are largely of Moslem faith. A Hindu woman told us the story of the death of Christ, having heard it at Bhera twenty years ago, then she told us of Christ's raising people to life. She said that she had heard about our living Saviour eight years ago in this hopital.

There was a woman who was a patient in our hospital for many months. She was a third wife and was put off in a house alone with her three girls for weeks at a time. They were practically starved when we took over their support. We fed

and clothed them for a year, taught the mother to read, and sent the girls to our mission school. Here they learned about Christ; they could recite the story about the birth of Christ, without making a mistake. The mother asked for a Bible and read to the patients. She said she knew Christ was her Saviour.

During vacation they went away and have sent us no word. Their story is sad but only one of thousands. Feet were turned into the right way, but seemingly, they refused to walk in it.

FRANCES LINCOLN

BHERA DISPENSARY

Carey said: "Though I am not brilliant, I can plod." This, then, is a feature of the work in Bhera. From ninety to over a hundred patients attend the dispensary daily, and they are carefully taught, and then sent in for treatment.

I find the women less bigoted and more open to the Gospel than formerly. They often acknowledge Christianity to be as good or better than their own religion, but they still cling to their own religion.

We have had no open conversions for some time, yet I do believe that we have some secret believers, and we have the sure promise, "My Word shall not return unto me void, but will accomplish that which I please and shall prosper in the thing whereto I send it."

Some Gospel portions have been sold, and tracts distributed. Bhera needs your prayers. The most pressing need is the power of the Spirit to make the Word effectual unto salvation.

Do not forget Bhera.

E. ALDRIDGE

RAWAL PINDI DISTRICT

After a hard day's work among non-Christians, we came at last to a village where we were welcomed and the women gathered around us with friendly interest. This opportunity for giving the Bible lesson was quickly used. The moment we spoke of the Lord Jesus Christ as the only way of salvation there was a stir among the women but the oldest one present succeeded in speaking first. She eagerly leaned forward, joy lighting her face and eyes as she said, "We know that. We believe that. A missionary named Mrs. McClure and her Indian Christian friend, Mary came here long ago and told us this good news. I educated my daughter in the Mission Girls' School. She, too, believed in this way. She is dead now. My son is head official of the village. He is employed by the Government in office work in the city." He returned before we had finished the cup of tea and little cakes which she insited upon serving us.

Entering a large village we heard an unmistakable sound which we have learned to recognize as the expression of sorrow where they "mourn as those who have no hope." Approaching the court yard from which this sound issued, we were warned by a man not to go into that home as last week there was a death there and these women had assembled to mourn. We said, "Why should we not go?" Those forty-five

women were conscious of our sympathy and were soon listening with deep interest to the words of the "Man of sorrows" who was "acquainted with grief." and who now has power to give life to those "dead in sins," even as He had power one day to raise from the dead the son of the widow of Nain.

Later twenty-one little school boys appeared after their classes were finished, and with their books carefully balanced on their heads, listened with keen interest to the last of the message, many of them following us to the next village for the meeting there.

HANNAH BEALE
ZARRA S. HOON

RAWAL PINDI CITY

A Hindu religious teacher, surrounded by an admiring group in a court yard, was reading and explaining one of their sacred books. He paused, and with a puzzled look asked concerning a certain well known Hindu family in that vicinity. "Why are their children different from the others of this neighborhood, so modest, well behaved, eager to learn, and making a place for themselves in the world?" Surprising was the answer from non-Christian lips, "The reason is this, they have been trained in a mission school and have associated with Christians. This is a result of Christian influence." They are the products of our Mission school and the younger children are still pupils there.

The older daughters of this home are winsome young women now. One is a student in the Lady Hardinge Medical College, Delhi, and the other, having completed her course in Ludhiana Medical College, is now enthusiastic about her work in the women's department of a government hospital in another city. While her mother and two little sisters were visiting her there, another missionary and I were her guests one afternoon. We enjoyed their Oriental hospitality as they served the various sweet meats of which Hindu people are so fond. Her room was neat and artistically arranged, but what pleased us most was the Scripture text motto hanging on the wall. In answer to the question, "Do you read your Bible?" she said, "How could one live through the days without it?" In answer to prayer she came to a meeting of the Sialkot Convention and said that she was helped by the Bible Studies so ably given by the Rev. Jones.

Later she was called to Rawal Pindi by her father's illness, and while there came to our home one evening with a Christian woman. As their carriage turned homeward she expressed her surprise at the joy she had observed in Christians in contrast to non-Christians. The older woman replied, "With *Christ* in the life there *is* joy and peace." This was the beginning of a serious conversation on deeper spiritual things, and our responsibilty concerning our soul's relation to God. She made a clear confession of her faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as her personal Saviour.

"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man

believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Romans 10:9-10.

ZARRA S. HOON

RAWAL PINDI CITY GIRLS' SCHOOL

Bible teaching in this school has not always been as popular as it is now. Much as the missionary in charge of a school may desire to teach all the Bible classes, she can not, owing to the many duties of her work. When it is impossible to have a special Bible teacher, Bible classes are assigned to the Indian teachers. They are not always desirous of having these extra classes since the Inspectress of Schools gives them no credit for this work.

Such was the case in the Rawal Pindi school. Many times the teachers requested me not to give them more than one Bible class, so I began to teach. I spent hours in Bible study and prayer. I found that I must have the heart preparation before I could led us into green pastures and beperiences. John's Gospel became the the living Word, Christ became our friend and helper. Day after day He led us into green pastures and beside the still waters. Bible class was a joy. I became eager to teach another class so I said to the Head Mistress "Please ask Mrs. J. if she would be willing for me to take the fifth class in Bible?" "I shall see," was the reply. The next day she said to me "I asked Mrs. J. according to your request, but she says she too wants the blessing and inspiration of teaching the Bible." My heart sang in praise for I rememberd how unpopular a subject it had once been in our school.

For some time I had been in doubt as to the advisability of teaching more Bible in the school year than is prescribed in the course, so I said to the girls, "will you cause me shame at the Bible examination if I do extra work with you?" "No, Miss Sahiba, we promise that you will not be ashamed of us at the Bible examination." And they have never failed me, although we have done much more than the regular course. The girls asked me very earnestly to teach them the Book of Revelation. I consented on the condition that they would give more time than the regular class period. It was finally decided that this class should meet on Sabbath. By means of colored crayons the Crown of Life, the Seven Golden Candlesticks, the Seven Stars and other symbols became real to them. One day we were having a heart to heart talk on the Book of Life and I said to the girls, "I wonder if any of your names are written in that Book." A great hush fell upon them, finally one of the Hindu girls raised her eyes to mine and said "My name is written in that Book." Then one by one many of the girls with serious thoughtfulness said "My name is written in that Book." Only one who has had a life experience can imagine the joy that was in my heart as we sat there in the circle that seemed complete, for surely Christ was in our midst.

As I go to the home-land on furlough I carry these precious memories with me, and I praise my Heavenly Father that He permitted one who is unworthy of all this to

have the privilege of teaching these dear girls.

"For fruitfulness and blessing
There is no royal road:
The power for holy service
Is intercourse with God."

MINNIE BEATTY

ABBOTTABAD

How the days fly! and none of them is long enough to get through all the work we want to do and ought to do. Here it is the end of December, the time for annual reports and statistics. We do not complain of these for we really like to tell our co-workers at home how the battle is going. We fully realize that it is only as you co-operate there that we can carry on here.

The chief event of the year in Abbottabad has been the purchase of the church building. It required much prayer and effort. Even yet we can hardly believe it is an accomplished fact. Mr. Heinrich and I record grateful thanks to all friends who helped in this great work.

We have three partially occupied centers in Hazara district. Mr. and Mrs. Alter and I in Abbotabad, and Mr. and Mrs. Patterson who are doing evangelistic work in Mansehra. In Haripur two English ladies, honorary workers, carry on a small industrial plant. A few Mohammedan men and women from these three centers have come out and confessed Christ in baptism and there are a number of inquirers. The weakness in the work has been our failure to lead these babes out into deep spiritual life and a more complete dependence on God.

The church in Abbottabad has held her own and made a little progress in numbers and a great deal of progress in giving. They support their Indian pastor and give to the different funds of the church and have contributed liberally to the new church building. We praise God for all of this.

Visiting has been done in the non-Christian homes of Abbotabad by the Bible Woman and myself and many warm friendships have been formed. The girls' school has grown in numbers and interest. It would rejoice your heart to hear these little Hindu and Mohammedan girls sing praise to the Saviour they have learned to love, to hear them answer question after question about His life and teaching and to see them bow their heads reverently in prayer.

"O, teach me Lord that I may teach; O, use me Lord, use even me."

JEAN MORRISON

CAMPBELLPUR

The camp work in Attock District has furnished variety and been very interesting, most of our efforts being centered on villages not visited before. In some sections, such as the Jhung valley, we were curiosities, but when the people began to realize we were human beings they received us kindly and listened well. They were very free to come to our tents to visit us. In contrast to this was the section around Hazara where the boast had been made that no missionary should ever visit their women-folk. We decided to make an effort anyway, although it was not with much enthusiasm that we moved our camp there. To our surprise we were permitted to give our message in almost

every village. We were driven out of a few places, but on the whole the attitude of the people is much more friendly than it was several years ago.

Our city work the past seven months has been a real joy. Last winter we were without a Bible Woman and while we were in camp, the city work had to be stopped. In May, Mrs. Solomon came to us and she has been doing splendid work. During the short time she has been in Campbellpur she has opened forty-two homes for regular visitation. A Mohammedan schoolmaster's wife confesses a firm belief in Christ as her Saviour. Her husband is also studying the New Testament and we are hoping they may soon be ready for baptism. Several Hindu women are deeply interested also.

The organization of our little church is almost completed. Twenty-nine members are enrolled. We are ready for a pastor just as soon as we can get a suitable man. The Women's Missionary Society with an enrollment of ten, gave a Thank-Offering of forty rupees; and the Junior Society with ten members gave nineteen rupees as Thank-Offering.

In June we sent ten Thank-Offering jugs to the Christian women at Hasan Abdal. None are able to read so there is no one able to lead the meetings should we organize a society there. But in December when we held a Thank-Offering meeting and the jugs were broken the Thank-Offering amounted to eleven rupees. Almost every one had four or five Bible stories ready to recite which she had learned from the worker. There is a marked increase of interest both in the district and in the city; and we believe many secret believers. With real prayer Attock District can produce some strong leaders for the Church.

ELLA M. GORDON
CARRIE WORMAN

TAXILA HOSPITAL—EVANGELISTIC WORK AMONG THE WOMEN

The women's department of Taxila Hospital is, as yet, comparatively small. There are not many beds for inpatients, and the outpatients, who come at the dispensary hour, do not equal in number those who come in our older medical institutions. But the territory covered is extensive. Standing almost on the boundary between Rawal Pindi and Attock Districts, and not far distant from the North West Frontier Provinces, the Hospital ministers to the physical need of women from distant place. Patients come even from places in Afghanistan, that stronghold of Mohammedanism. Some of these speak only the strange language of their own country and, unless they are accompanied by friends who are able to interpret, can only be reached by bodily ministrations. We hope and pray that this little contact with the spirit of the ministering Christ may soften their prejudice and prepare their hearts to receive the message of Christ if ever they may hear of Him in words they can understand.

The Gospel message is given by means of the spoken and printed word. Attractive colored pictures representing Bible scenes are a great help in getting their attention and reaching their understanding. The Gospel in song, too, is of great value.

Very few women can read, so the sale of Scripture portions is necessarily limited, but those who can read are often willing to buy these portions and take them home.

In the two months I have been in this work, I have seen a little softening of prejudice in individual cases. One young woman had a facial operation, recovery from which required a long stay in the hospital. Her mother came with her to care for her. During the earlier days of their stay, the mother protested loudly and vigorously against having to listen to the daily message, while her daughter acted like a scared animal. Towards the last, the mother came of her own accord, and the daughter would ask for certain songs or stories. Shah ki Dheri, the town, nearest the hospital, has long been noted as one of the very hardest in the whole district. It was my privilege to go in with the Rawal Pindi district missionaries the day they visited the village. That day several doors were closed against us and we were told in no uncertain terms that they had no desire to see or hear us. This was especially true of one house beside the mosque. We did finally get into a few homes that day. About two weeks later a number of women from the village had occasion to come to the out door department for daily treatments and medicine. They became quite friendly and began to be interested in what was being taught. They invited me to the village with them one day and, to my amazement took me right into the house beside the mosque where we had been denied entrance. Personal friends were made that day. Gaining their love and friendship for ourselves is a long way from the love we desire to see in their hearts for our Lord. But God can use this personal touch in breaking the chains of prejudice and hatred against our Lord Jesus Christ.

JANE MARTIN

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

THE SYNODICAL

There are four women's Presbyterials in our Punjab Church which meet yearly. Every third year representatives from these meet in a larger body known as the Synodical. This past year the Synodical was held in Sargodha. The attendance and interest were good. Mrs. Mary Samuel of Rawal Pindi made a fine presiding officer, and conducted the business with dispatch, order and dignity. The task of adopting a new constitution made an unusual amount of business.

Reports were heard from the four presbyterials and the secretaries of different departments. The goals set for the Thank-Offering and Junior societies were met. Much interest is taken in the Home Mission field. A large amount of the Thank-Offering is given to this work. A goal of three thousand rupees was set for the year. This is to be given for Home Missions, Gurdaspur Home, School for the Blind in Rajpur, and the Bible Society.

A committee of twelve, three of each Presbyterial, with the officers of the Synodical look after the women's work during the years the Synodical does not meet. The little magazine, Bashir-ul-Niswan is much appreciated by the societies.

KATE A. HILL

BASHIR-UL-NISWAN
(The India Women's Missionary Magazine)

There are at the present time 464 subscribers to our Missionary Magazine, and during the past year 39 additional—some sample and some complimentary—copies have been sent out.

This work sometimes becomes discouraging, due to my lack of experience in it, and limited knowledge of the Urdu language; it is also difficult at times, to get articles, news notes, poems or stories in the numbers needed. However, in spite of these difficulties the Magazine has been published regularly and there has been no lack of funds.

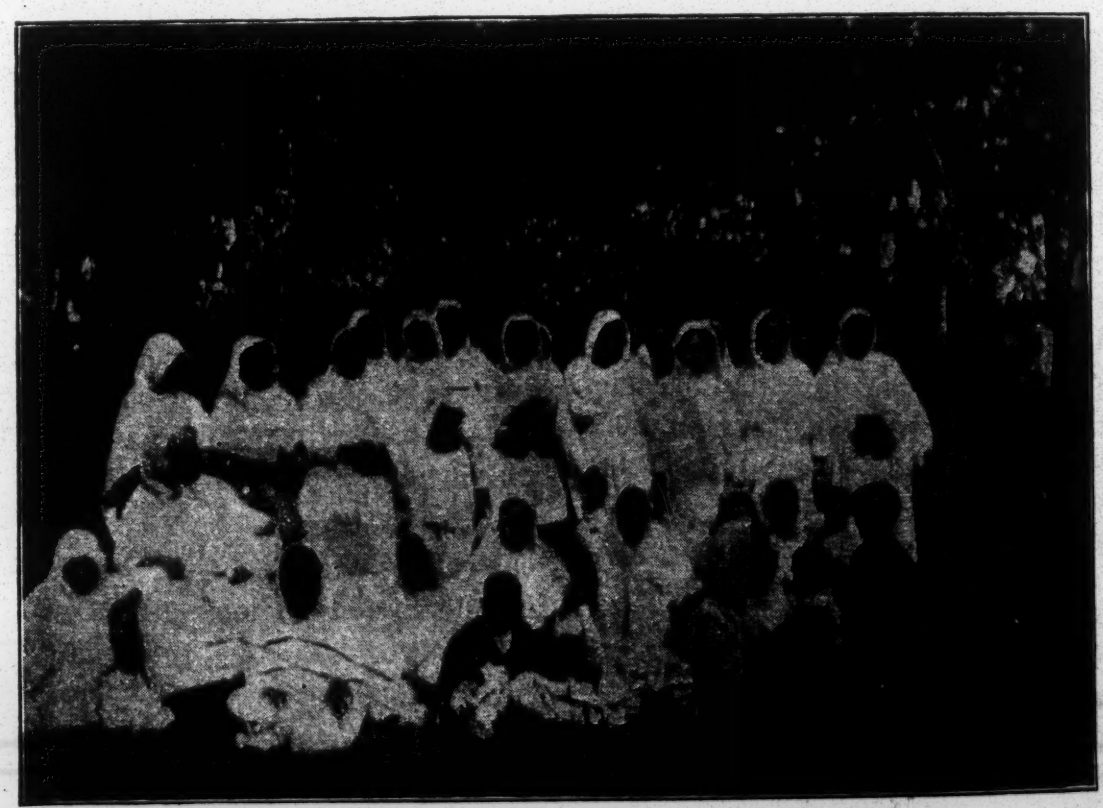
BELLE DARROW STEWART

THE SARAH DAUGHTERY BIBLE WOMEN'S TRAINING SCHOOL

The Sarah Daugherty Bible Women's Training School was held in Sargodha during the Easter season. The women were comfortably entertained in one of the cottages of the boarding school. All the Bible Women of the mission and the third and fourth year lady missionaries attended.

Two Bible classes were held each morning. The Book of Ephesians was studied and five of the women recited the whole book from memory. Two hours of each day were spent in practical work. The city of Sargodha was divided in blocks. A team, composed of one missionary and one or two Bible Women was assigned to a different block each day. A friendly rivalry in selling Gospel portions made keen competition between the groups.

The evangelistic work was fine for our city, especially as there were special meetings for the men later in the summer. One afternoon the



"SARAH DAUGHERTY" BIBLE WOMEN'S TRAINING SCHOOL

women from the city were invited to a "party" on the school compound. They came in unexpected numbers. It was a very happy afternoon and made us all feel we were friends.

There was a report hour each day when the experiences of the day were told. This training school is conducted by the women members of the Evangelistic Committee and is held in a different station each year. The coming year it will be held in Dhariwal, Gurdaspur district. The study will be the Book of Hebrews and methods and principles of soul winning.

KATE A. HILL

The Bible women showed such splendid enthusiasm that it was a pleasure to teach them. The way they laid hold of the deep and wonderful truths of the Epistle to the Ephesians was very remarkable. Some of those in the Punjabi class have had little school training, but all showed a real understanding of the Book we were studying, and a depth of spiritual life that was very gratifying. I went to the school rather dreading the part of teacher but came away feeling that this particular bit of service had been among the most precious of my missionary experiences. The Bible Women there have a real passion for souls, and some of them are becoming more and more skillful in the art of presenting the Gospel message. The oldest member of the Punjabi class was very happy to be able to recite the whole of the Book of Ephesians. The women are learning the first nine chapters of the book of Hebrews to recite at the next session of the school. Some of them were much ashamed that they had not done the memory work last year. Every one that I have talked with since the meeting in Sargodha is working on that part of the course for next year. Pray for these Bible Women. Their work is often difficult and there is much to discourage. Pray that souls may be won through their witness, and that their own lives may be enriched and made stronger and more beautiful.

HAZEL BENNETT

FROM THE FIRST YEAR MISSIONARIES

The first year of missionary life is a period of preparation. It has been said that it is a good thing that a missionary does not know the language when he comes out to a foreign land, for if the quick-acting, impetuous, self-confident American rushed headlong into the midst of this people, with whose psychology, etiquette, and customs he is unfamiliar, he would make many dreadful mistakes.

The past four months have been spent not only in memorizing the six hundred and eighteen Cummings sentences (supposed to be recited at the rate of six syllables a second), learning the parables and miracles in Luke, and reading the Persial Urdu primer and first reader, but also in visiting schools, hospitals, district work, and zenanas and accumulating a store of methods and ideas for my work next year.

AGNES BALLANTYNE

My stated occupation since arriving in Sialkot is language study. My tongue is slowly, and I hope surely,

conquering the acrobatic duties required of it. At the same time I am acquiring some knowledge of Indian ways and customs not clearly outlined in our first year's course. So far I have had the privilege of visiting three of our other mission stations. My first impressions of India and all my associations with the missionaries have been very pleasant.

EVELYN CATHCART

The study of Urdu has engaged my entire attention since the first of November. I might also add that I have been observing the people and their customs as well. The language study has proved to be difficult and discouraging but interesting to me.

During the past three months I have had the privilege of visiting two of our mission stations—Jhelum and Gujranwala. At Jhelum Miss Hartig took me through the Good Samaritan Hospital and I could not help contrasting it with Columbia Hospital, in Pittsburgh. I have not been disappointed in India and its people and am sure I shall enjoy the work here.

FLORA E. HORMEL

I do not have much to report as I have been in India but a short time. Most of my time is spent in the study of the language. I do not know just how much of the language I have learned nor just how much progress I am making in it because it is all so strange and confusing. We are studying the Miracles and Parables of Luke, and we have thirty-eight lessons from the Cummings book. I have learned the alphabet and can spell out some of the words from the Urdu writing, but we have not given much time to reading the Urdu character as yet.

MAUDE MILLER

"Variety in monotony" characterizes first year language study. There is a prescribed course to be followed, and certain set hours in which we either read with munshi, or con Cummings sentences. It may sound dull, but it is really not a bit so, for everyday we are kept entertained by our own funny blunders and our inability to get our meaning across. Then, too, we are kept from discouragement by the consolation that we are daily getting nearer our goal —an understanding of the people's language.

As we learn in Urdu the parables and miracles recorded in Luke's Gospel, or the Ten Commandments, or the Beatitudes, or other Biblical material, we begin to feel that perhaps we are going to be ready to tell the Bible stories in the village next year. Our Cummings sentences help us to talk to the various people whom we meet.

Our recreation times are made interesting by bicycle rides, long walks, games of badminton, tea parties, or visits to Indian homes. I remember with a sense of real pleasure my visit to the Gujranwala camp not long ago. One afternoon I went with Miss Ardrey and the Bible Woman to a village. As I sat on a rope bed I watched all the interesting women and children and babies and dogs and chickens that go to make up a village home; and you may be sure I was observed too. It was very interesting to hear Miss Bashir ud Din tell them the story of our Jesus and

to hear their responses. Most of the women would agree to the truth of the message, but they would hardly get to the point of being really interested, before they would be distracted by the children, or would have to leave to do the evening chores. The whole afternoon was full of experiences that help to reinitiate me into village life.

For those of us who have been so fortunate as to be sons or daughters of missionaries, Urdu has the added charm of being the language of our best days—the days when we were the "Mission youngsters," in camp, on the hills, or at Annual Meeting, always having lots of fun. Since we are grown-ups, we have to be dignified, but we envy every single one of our successors, the present generation of "Mission youngsters."

JANET E. NESBITT

MY FIRST YEAR IN INDIA

My first year in India has been a very happy and blessed one. The Lord has abundantly fulfilled His promise, "And lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." It is indeed wonderful how the Master bridges the differences between this land, its strange climate, people, customs and language, and that of our homeland, and gives us so richly of health and happiness.

Last year was mostly spent in language study and I am just beginning in the work. I've been located in our Hospital in Jhelum and find it a very needy and interesting place to work.

We have two graduate nurses and a graduate compounder on our staff and nine nurses in training. These twelve Indian girls know and love the Master and are very zealous to bring others into His fold.

Daily we come in contact with hundreds who are sick in body and soul and our opportunities for sowing the seed of the Gospel are many.

As I look out on the New Year 'tis with a heart full of gratitude to the Master for the great privilege of serving Him in this needy land.

EVVA P. HARTIG R. N.

THE YEAR IN EGYPT

ALEXANDRIA
CENTRAL GIRLS' SCHOOL

THEODORE Roosevelt has said, "Far and away the best prize that Life offers, is to work hard at work worth doing." What worthier work can be found that that which is offered by our two hundred girls of all ages, nationalities, and religions, who are gathered from this cosmopolitan city of Alexandria into our Central Girl's School? The teachers have visualized the great need of their service here, and have worked untiringly teaching lessons of geography, grammar, arithmetic, and physiology while they have ever kept before the girls the noble ideals of Christian principles and character.

It is always interesting to watch these ideals root themselves in the heart of a girl where they take life and grow so rapidly. Even in the very little girls, we often see such growth. A little girl from the first

year was accused by her mother of doing something of which she was not guilty. She was unable to convince her mother of her guiltlessness, so went to bed with a heart so heavy that she could not sleep. Brokenhearted, she lay there long into the night, until even in the darkest hour a gleam of light came to her. The teacher had taught her a verse, what was it? Possibly sister could help her remember, so she awakened her. and together they thought of the verse, "If God be for us, who can be against us?" Then simple prayers were offered by these two little girls which brought understanding and peace to the unhappy child.

Also we often rejoice to see Christian truths entering the hearts of the older girls. This year we have organized a Sabbath School class for the graduates making a special effort to keep them in touch with Christian teaching. We had had the lesson from John 3, and had gathered with all the other classes for the review questions leading up to the Golden Text which was repeated by the whole assembly. A Jewish girl sitting next to me began the words with the rest, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Begotten Son —," but her eyes filled with tears and her voice choked so that she could not continue. After the verse was finished she turned to me and said, "Oh, how many times I have repeated that verse this past week!" Surely God is working in the heart of this girl as he is the hearts of many others, bringing her to the Light of Salvation and the Joy of a Christian Life.

A little story of another girl will make you rejoice with us too. I could tell you of a visit into the home of a Moslem girl of the senior class —a home which is in as dirty, dark, damp, narrow a street of a Moslem quarter as can be found in Alexandria, but which is blessed with the life of this beautiful girl who rises above the sin and darkness about her like the lovely water lily which raises its head above the filthy water of the canal and opens its heart to the purifying sun above. This little story all began with the simple discussion in which Ratiba said that her father would not object to her wearing a hat, but that she preferred wearing the veil because of the district in which she lived. At this, some girl unthinkingly said, "But you are not a Christian, you do not believe in Christ. You are a Mohammedan." "Oh, but I do believe in Christ, and I think that I believe in Him far more than many Christians do," answered Ratiba—and how many times her deeds of kindnesses and thoughtfulness show forth this belief.

Along with the regular work, the girls have had some happy times this year. The seventh and eighth year girls have been organized into a Sabbath School class which they call "The Torch Bearers" and meet occasionally for a social time. How they do enjoy together the simple games of "Musical Chair," "I Spy" and "Grandmother's Fruit Basket." I defy any class of American girls to make more noise chatting and laughing.

We had a happy Christmas together putting many hours of practice on the program which pictured by song, pantomime and Biblical reading the story of Christ's birth in Bethlehem. The girls took an active

part in the White Gift, too, so that we had a goodly amount of cloth for the orphanage in Cairo, and a liberal supply of sugar, flour and rice, as well as money for the needy people in our community.

The monthly missionary meetings are centers of great interest and help to the girls. The Junior Society is studying missionary stories, and the Senior Society is making a special study of "Our Neighbors" in bringing before the girls the work being done and the need for more workers in the Sudan and in Abyssinia. The girls themselves conduct the meetings and give the programs in which they very ably approach the objective of their little societies. The Christian Endeavor Society also affords opportunity for the girls to develop their spiritual leadership. Their meetings are entirely their own, and at many meetings, every girl present will in some way express her thoughts on the subject.

Indeed, we are sorry that in this report we can give only a sample of the work that has been done in the Central Girls' School. We should like to take you into our classes and then to the homes of many of the girls where you could see the work of the school reaching out to others through the pupils, and then and there you would see with us the reward for working hard at this "work worth doing."

LEOTA CABEEN

GABBARI AND KARMOUS

It is such a great relief to be free from Arabic lessons every day that I feel like a bud just bursting forth in doing the many things one sees to be done but which one does not have time and energy for when he is taking two or three lessons each day. Of course I shall be taking a few more until I finish my composition. I do not know much yet and one must keep on studying even though there are not examinations ahead of him. But he is not so tied down, either as to quantity or time.

This week brought three new pupils to the little Gabbari School and we are very thankful. They are not Moslem children but they are in need of teaching about Christ and how to live. Two others stopped so it is not a great net gain, but it is encouraging. The children have their chapel exercises and Bible lessons every day and the Sabbath School on Sabbath day. It is surprising how much memory work these little people can do and who knows what seed may spring forth?

We have started visiting over in that district. My teachers went with me to several homes and I hope I will go again. I can go with the Bible Woman once in two weeks. We could use such a worker there full time but this is a big city for only four of them. Two Moslem homes have been opened to this Bible worker recently through the school. And while the children are being taught at the school we hope to reach the mothers in the homes.

The Gabbari Sabbath School for the children is not very well attended because some of the day pupils live far from the school and some do not care. But we have a very earnest Evangelist and he holds good meetings for men and also a class for women.

The Karmous School continues to run smoothly, thanks to the faithful Head Teacher. We have just finished the mid-year examinations and I am very well satisfied with results. The children are all doing nicely. It is a privilege to get acquainted with them as one does in hearing each one in the several oral examinations. The little tots are very anxious to perform in most cases. It is only the very shy ones who do not like it. They stand close to me sometimes and seem to appreciate any interest or encouragement shown. They are very affectionate and sweet. You should hear them sing some of their kindergarten songs and see how heartily they enter into their games.

The Sabbath School here has held the record among the American schools for a number of years. But it is difficult to get the girls to stay for the preaching service. We are working especially on this now. Before long we hope to have an organized congregation.

We have started a class for the teachers in preparation of the Sabbath School lessons and we are studying the Book of John emphasizing the parts assigned for Sabbath lessons. It is a great help to me and I hope to them.

Getting started in a new work is always hard but I begin to feel acquainted now and am enjoying it very much.

MARTHA C. GLASS

BACOS

The Bacos School for Girls is about two and a half years old now and is still growing steadily in every way. Our enrollment last year reached sixty which was the ideal I had set at the beginning of the year. Our highest class had in it five girls; four of them entered the Uniform Examinations prepared by the Mission Committee and all four passed with good marks. One was not allowed to enter, because it is a rule if the girl's daily marks do not come up to a certain standard she cannot enter the examinations. This girl's work was below the average so she could not enter. However, we gave her the same examination, then kept and marked her papers ourselves just to be sure in case the family had any doubts. She did not pass and so is repeating this year and doing good work. We have just finished mid-year examinations and she did very well in them. The other classes all had examinations prepared by myself and the teachers, and the children did very well.

This year my goal for enrollment is eighty. We have reached sixty six thus far. That is not as encouraging as we would like, but we have five months left in this year yet, so perhaps we can do it. We have had some disappointments. Two of our girls, who have been with us since the opening of the School, left the other day because we did not teach French. Now they are going to a French School. And one of our Mohammedan girls has moved away and cannot come any more. We are trusting, however, that the seed sown in their minds and hearts these two years may not have been in vain. Another thing that caused us anxiety for a time was a regular epidemic of measles in our midst. We had more than twenty children out at one time,

—a third of our whole number. We are thankful that there were no serious cases and the children are now practically all back in school.

Among the things that bring real encouragement and joy are loyalty and zeal on the part of the teachers, and this is having a real influence on the children. They seem to love to come to school and I know they are learning truths that they will carry with them through life. Two of our girls have shown such a marked change this year that we are beginning to look forward to the future when they shall have finished the work we have to give them. We hope one will become a Bible woman and the other a teacher of little children.

The other day I had a woman come to the School and ask me to take in, her niece, as a free pupil. This girl is an Armenian, and an orphan, having lost both mother and father during the war. They lived in Turkey and the girl was taken by some Mohammedans and made to be a servant in their home. Last year a philanthropic Jew came along and paid money to get her. He then brought her to relatives here in Egypt and she now lives near our School. We are trying to provide for her so that she may have at least a year or two .

The thing that is most encouraging of all is to have one of our girls and one of the teachers wanting to become members of the church. I believe they both can be received at our next communion service in March and we are praying that this may have an influence on the others. Having the girls progress in their studies is indeed a joy, but there is no joy equal to having them make a decision to come out for Christ.

We have organized a Women's Missionary Society this year. Last Thursday as we had our meeting, I could not keep my thoughts from wandering to the home folks and thinking how interested you would have been. The leader is a lovely woman, and she came bringing three of her four children. One is a small baby and would not be content with anyone but the mother, so she led the meeting holding the little one in her arms all the time. I wonder how many American mothers would do that.

Arabic still takes a lot of my time but the "required" goal is in sight. However, I feel as though I've just begun,—there is so much more to learn. It is not a bugbear any more, except for the examination part of it. I enjoy it now although I seem to travel along at a snail's pace.

It is good to think, "America and all the dear people there next year" but there are many things here which I shall miss. I am continually thankful for the privilege of working for and with these people.

LUCY LIGHTOWLER

MONSURAH GIRLS' SCHOOL

Missionaries are quite human. Many times discouargement and despair loom up before them. Your thoughts at this time are something like this: "This daily grind of schoolwork, recording grades, holding examinations, punishing, having head inspection and meeting unruly parents!" Then you say to yourself, "Is this really missionary work."

A visit in one of your girls' homes

will make the picture darker. All your talk about cleanliness has been futile. Out in the streets you see dirty, crying children playing in the muddy street for they have no place else to play. You are more and more convinced that there is no hope of lifting these people up.

You visit another home on your way back. The minute you step inside you notice the different atmosphere of the place as well as smell it. One of the daughters serves you tea, giving you a clean white tea napkin, which has been made at school. Little cakes are served to you. The mother tells you that when she was in school the missionary taught her how to make little cakes. Before leaving you lead in prayer. The mother tells, how her daughter reads to them very night from the Bible.

As you walk towards home, you do not notice the dirty little children as much.

It is recess time and the one hundred and fifty girls in your charge are having a good time. One sad thing is that we have only one swing. How they all like to swing! It is the one new thing in our school ground this year and they love "to work up high."

Recess is over and all who want to sing in the choir on Sabbath gather around the piano to practice their anthem for the services. This is one thing that they love to do—to sing alone in church.

A visitor is in the office so you must leave the practice. It is a fond parent who wants to have his daughter sit outside while the class is having Bible. She is praying too much at home. He leaves with the understanding that his daughter must take Bible if she remains in school. Just a few minutes, you take to gather some records for your annual letter. Miss Sara, the head teacher reads, "150 girls on roll; 31 Moslems; $60 given Christmas 1925 for White Gift; Missionary Society of school paying tuition of a poor girl. 45 members of the W. C. T. U."

The bell rings. This means it is time for the missionary to give physical exercises to the older girls. Part of the exercises are given from the record on our new portable Victrola. The afternoon is spent in a meeting of the Alumnae; at which twenty-five are present from our various mission school belonging to our mission.

The day is over, and the missionary has a picture of hope instead of despair. Your missionary societies at home, are doing their bit to develop the girls of Egypt mentally, physically and spiritually. We need your prayers for the girls, for the teachers, for the missionary in charge, that there may radiate, from their lives the love of the Master, into these who know not the Truth.

FRANCES PATTON

EVANGELISTIC WORK

I feel that my work this past year has been rather varied, but nevertheless, filled with joys and thanksgiving. I remained in Cairo, until the first of November, for Arabic study.

The first two or three weeks were spent in arranging our house here, Miss Patton having been alone the first two months of the year. I just wish I could give you all a peek in

at our house. We think we have the most lovely people in Monsurah, for more than one reason. In our study is furniture belonging to Miss Weed, Miss Dwight, the Works, the McLaughlins, and the Bairds, and incidentally some things which belong to Miss Patton and myself. And so with the aid of all our friends we have managed to furnish the entire house. But the day is coming when we and our borrowed furniture must part—and then! But we are enjoying it now.

I am enjoying the work here very much. Every one says, Arabic study *must* be first, so a large portion of my time is devoted to this. Have been visiting in the homes in the Ezbeh, in Taxla once a week, also part of the time in Monsurah itself. The progress which has been made in all centers is encouraging. In the Ezbeh, at our semi-monthly meetings we have had an attendance ranging from 20 to 28, and on Sabbath morning, not quite as many. We have visited many of the homes here and they show a marked interest in the Bible and desire to learn of Christ and to know Him. Many of the women are Copts, though they know not Christ as a personal Saviour. We thank God for the opportunities He has given us to speak at mournings, and for the way He has overcome all difficulties and removed obstacles. At the last mournings we attended, He directly answered prayer. At the first one, there were over 80 women, and there seemed at first no possibility of giving a message, even though the mother of the family occasionally came to our meetings. The paid wailers were very unwilling to quiet down and let the rest of them sit down, and glowered on us when it was suggested. But the Bible woman and I asked Him to open the way, and then she went to the other side and I approached the wailers and spoke to them again. They at once became very quiet and gave us both the opportunity to speak, and thus many Mohammedan women heard the Gospel. Then again, just two weeks ago, there was a big Moslem mourning. Neither the Bible women nor I knew them, but we went and after searching out the mother, I asked permission to have the Bible woman speak. There were, as well as I could estimate, about 120 women present. Those on the outedges were unable to hear, so the other Bible woman and I went to them and talked to them—at their request—and they all urged us to visit them in their homes that we might talk about the things of God, for it is my thought to always make it clear to the new folks that this is our purpose—to tell them about Jesus Christ, and not merely visit. Thus God opened the door of many a home that we might enter and bear the glad tidings.

Work is going on in Taxla especially among the Moslem women, though it has been much broken into by heavy rains, and illness of workers.

We are glad to report that our women in Monsurah seem to be taking a real interest. Yesterday we had about 20 women at the regular Woman's Meeting, at which the pastor gave a splendid message.

I am planning to take Arabic examinations again in March, and also what I can in June. As the Arabic

is such a necessary thing in all lines of the work, I feel I am putting "first things first" by devoting all time possible to its intricacies.

L. L. McCLELLAND

ZAGAZIG GIRLS' SCHOOL

I have been back in Egypt for just a bit over five months and do not feel that I have any large things to report. I have come back to Zagazig where I spent five happy years once before, but there intervened nine years between the end of my first sojourn here and my return. So I come back a stranger, with the place and the people to learn again. However, it is not quite like beginning in an entirely new place for memories of many places, people and occurrences are still fresh.

The Association gave over into my charge two schools here in town. Both are having a good attendance, good tuitions and an excellent spirit of co-operation among the members of the teaching staffs. Sabbath school attendance has been good in most of the departments. The other religious meetings of the school are the training ground for future usefulness in Christian service. They are the weekly Christian Endeavor meeting and the monthly missionary meeting. The collections at the missionary meeting would put many a home society to shame. They are frequently as much as three dollars, and three dollars gathered from this body of children is a large amount. Their Christmas White Gift offering was more than twenty-five dollars. This has been distributed to some poor folk in Zagazig, and the remainder to the two orphanages.

On the whole, it is a very heartening thing to be away from a station for nine years and to return to find the progress in work, both in quality and spirit, that I find here.

No account of our work would be complete which did not mention the family of ten girls that we have here. To all intents and purposes it is a boarding school but it is nowhere on the books of the mission. These ten girls live with two of the Bible women, and go to school. They do all their own work, except baking. They live very simply and economically. There is no appropriation for their establishment. They cost the mission nothing. But out of a similar class which Mrs. Hart started years ago have come some of our most devoted young women in the work of Christ. If this household yields the like in years to come we shall be glad for all the time and effort that are going into the supervising of it.

I have also the supervising of the adjusting of two village schools to our uniform program. I have made a start at this but have not yet made much progress due to the difficulties in reaching the places and to the many duties incident to getting started in Zagazig itself.

This is but the tale of new beginnings. I am glad to be here and at work again.

ELSIE M. FRENCH

EVANGELISTIC WORK

Work among women is always very interesting, although not always easy. The women themselves vary greatly in circumstances but their need is much the same. There are

the wives of those employed in government offices, a few educated, more never having been in school. But the very fact that they have been forced to go from one town to another has taken away some of their prejudices and their being bound by tradition.

The missionary society is one of the ways of reaching the women. Not so much in the sense of getting her interested in the needy ones of the earth, she herself may be one of the neediest. But by a message from a sister woman, brought from the word of God, or a dialogue—a pictured story—by the girls of the school, she gets her first taste of something outside and higher than her own experience. And she may be persuaded to attend the missionary meeting when she will not go to any other of the weekly meetings.

This year there have been some exceptional opportunities at funerals. There the women are—forty, sixty or more of them—the audience gathered waiting for the message. Both Coptic and Moslem women are mingled together, and in some cases, those whom one never meets elsewhere. The seed is sown, one can only trust the Lord to give the increase.

Seventeen villages and towns have been visited this year, more or less frequently. It often seems a fleeting touch one gets at such times, yet sometimes a chance word recalling a visit of months or years before reminds one that every word counts either for or against eternity.

It is the visits of the Bible women which count most for blessing in the work for the women. They plant the seed, and watch for the tiny sprout, and guarding it from winds and burning heat, finally gather in the harvest. What confidences are given them! How they are asking for advice! What quarrels are made up, what patient unraveling of tangled threads of motives and suspicions there is! And how they rejoice in the bad habits overcome, the growing in grace, the reaching out to help others! Six Bible women are at work in the city and district. It is a work without a future, one has said, but not without discouragements, difficulties, and perplexities. And surely there is no work more needy.

One dislikes very much to destroy the impression that the women are pressing into the Kingdom, perhaps it is our unfaithfulness that keeps them back. But the real fact is that many a visit is made before the Word seems to be getting a grip of the one visited. Sometimes the word is that the lady of the house is not at home, while her voice is heard within. Sometimes money is offered as if to a beggar, but all the time one's heart rejoices at the privilege of being in this work, and in the fact that "God *can* and God *does*!"

MARION PADEN

EVANGELISTIC WORK AND TRAINING SCHOOL

The Bible Women's Training School

Last June we sent out a class of three women who had gone through a prescribed course of study. One of these women was, or rather is a convert from Islam and gives promise of being a fine worker among her own people. The group of the three workers appears in the Handbook so it is not necessary to go further into

details. Although I think that I'll put into this report a bit of news which up to this time is a secret but it need not be a secret when this report appears in print. One of these three girls is to become the wife of a young Egyptian who is studying for the ministry. So you see that our school is getting the honor and privilege of entering into the training of the wives of the ministry. This appeals to me as being an important piece of work for if there is anything the wife of a minister out here in Egypt needs to be able to do it is to know how to work among the women of her husband's congregation.

Graduates of Bible Women's Training School, Tanta
Courtesy of Foreign Missions

At the present moment we have thirteen boarders in the Bible Women's Training School and four day girls. Our advanced class consists of seven girls, and I think I can safely say that they all will make splendid workers. They have yet another year of training. How we need trained workers out here in Egypt! It is most difficult to make people realize that they need a special training for this important piece of work. I find that even the missionaries are slow to understand that the great need is for well trained workers in this branch of work. There is such a great demand for teachers in the schools that as soon as a girl gets so that she can manage a class of little children in a school there is the ever present temptation to set her to that task when there is before her the great untouched field of work among the needy women of Egypt. Only this week I am having to give up one of the girls who has been looking forward for years to prepare for work among her Egyptian sisters to go into the Fowler Orphanage school to teach the tiny tots. They think they cannot get any one else so the sacrifice has to be made by the Bible Women's Training School rather than by one of the Boarding Schools where there are plenty of girls who could undertake this bit of teaching and leave to the work among women this girl who is so willing to give herself to this wider and more difficult field of labor.

Generally speaking the girls in the Bible Women's Training School are not financially able to give largely

for the simple reason that they do not have funds at their disposal. This year we made a little plan by which they could earn money to contribute to the annual Thank-Offering. Their source of income has been needlework and knitting. You would be surprised to see the pretty handkerchiefs and the pretty wool shawls they have already made. The Thank-Offering Meeting is to be tomorrow and they already have a sum of seventeen dollars to contribute. They have one hour of sewing each day and it is at this time they do this work.

We have regular instruction in all kinds of housework and cooking so that when a girl goes out in to the world to take up work among women she will be able to be a fine example of a woman who is not only able to teach and hold meetings but to be a living example of the woman who is able to look well after the affairs of her own house.

Our plan of work is to study in the forenoons and to go out on our rounds of visits in the afternoons when the girls take their part in teaching to the women in the homes the things they have learned in their lessons in the forenoons.

We crave your earnest prayers that this Training School may be a power for good here in Egypt and that God will send to us just the very woman He desires to call out into this important service.

The Community House Work

Our hopes for further developing this particular branch of the work have been sadly blasted during the past year. The Girls' School seemed to be forced to have a change of quarters so the school took the rooms that we have set apart for community house work and so has hindered any further developing of this community house work. We have even been much hampered in the holding of our weekly and monthly meetings for women which last year gave such fine promise and which yet give fine promise as soon as we can get back our much needed rooms from the Girls' School. The Mary Clokey Porter Boarding School for Girls will not only rejoice our hearts when it gets finished for what it is going to mean for the education of girls in this district but we shall be glad to have room to carry on our own affairs in reaching out to needy women and children who can never be reached by a school. We have many fine plans in mind for the developing of this branch of work which I hope you will get to hear about when they will be in actual operation this time next year. Again I crave your earnest prayers that we may be surely guided in doing this piece of work for our Master.

The Summer School for Bible Women

This was a new departure which we put into operation last summer and which proved to be a grand success. The cry for better trained workers among the women is what made the women's section of the Evangelistic Board undertake to have a summer school for any of the Bible women who would be able to come to us for one month during the summer.

It pleased us very much to see how interested the fourteen women present were, in all the work and lessons. Miss Sara Mekhile, one of our Egypt-

ian young women, a convert from Islam, who is doing splendid work along educational lines gave one of her month's of summer vacation to teaching in this Summer School. She took the class in lessons in Islamics. These lessons were most highly appreciated. Miss Hogg who was here for half the month gave a series of lessons on the Sermon on the Mount which was a fine presentation of Practical Christianity. Mrs. Hart who was with us one week gave six lessons of "With Christ in the School of Prayer." I am sure these women had the privelege of these lessons with dear Mrs. Hart will never forget those wonderful talks on Prayer. Mrs. Hart is going to be greatly missed by the Bible women of Egypt. She was one who understood their problems. I also gave a series of lessons on Prayer and on the "New Birth." It was, indeed, a pleasure to teach these earnest Bible women who are so anxious to be better equipped to serve their Master.

In the afternoons each one did as she pleased for we did not forget that it was the only month of vacation that the Bible women were having—so they rested, visited, sewed and then in the evenings we had experience meetings. A question box which took several evenings. Model meetings were held and each one took a turn in conducting the meeting for women. The time passed so quickly that I did not really realize that I had taken half of my summer vacation to do this piece of work.

Special Evangelistic Meetings

We have had several special evangelistic trips out through the villages. I think I shall tell about one, the one connected with the Fall Conference which was held last Fall at She-bin el-Kom. This conference was to be for both men and women and was to last four days but I thought that it would be a good thing to do some pre-conference work in the village along evangelistic lines so I took my sixteen girls (as the number was at that particular time). We went bag and baggage, which meant beds and bedding and cooking utensils and went to She-bin-el-Kom a week before the time for the Conference. We did a lot of effective visiting in the home of the people and held special meetings for the women and succeeded in making quite a stir in the town and getting every one interested in attending the Conference. These Conferences are really good old fashioned "Camp Meetings" and are very popular with the people for they love to have a bunch of Christian workers swoop down upon them to conduct a series of meetings. We had a regular "Billy Sunday" a convert from Islam to preach every evening and he certainly preached the good old Gospel, making plain the reality of sin, the need of a Saviour, the great love of God in providing a Saviour, and the Gospel call for all to accept salvation. We all felt that we had received a great blessing, indeed.

Perhaps it does not belong to a formal report to describe our caravan going and coming. We hired a motor bus for the girls and a motor van for the baggage and you would have been highly amused at the sight we made with our baggage piled up high on the van with my faithful black servant, Ahmed sitting up on the very top-most piece of baggage,

MONMOUTH GENERAL COMMITTEE FOR W. G. M. S. CONVENTION

Courtesy The United Presbyterian

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Behind every convention of the W. G. M. S. is a strong local organization.

Monmouth's General Committee, which we present on this page, has been tireless—Twenty-five committees assisted in working out all the details of the plans connected with the entertainment at the Convention.

A delegation was sent to Galesburg to accompany the Special Train to Monmouth, where automobiles were waiting to convey the delegates to the College. Homes and Dormitories were in readiness for guests and a royal welcome awaited each one.

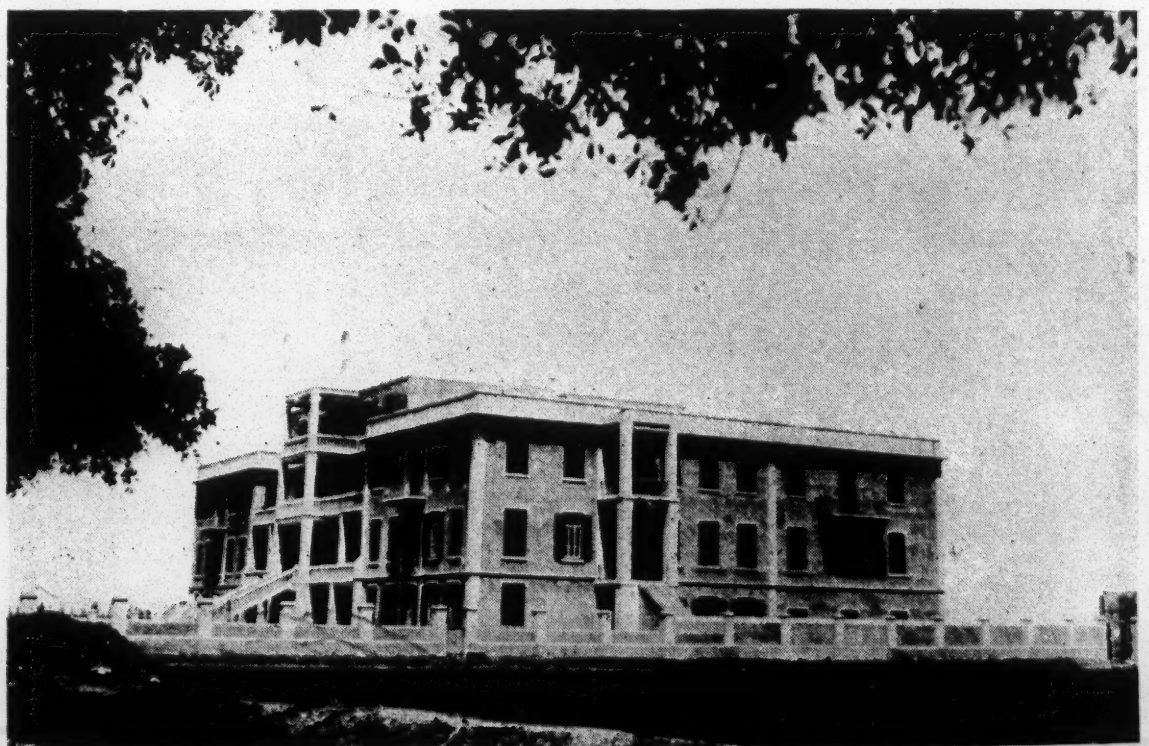
Many breakfasted at McMichael Home and all delegates took two meals a day there. Though there were nearly four hundred at the tables, the viands were "just like mother used to make."

The music provided for the Convention was wonderful. The pageants which required days and weeks for preparation added to the interest of the program.

Everything that hostesses could do was done for the convenience and comfort of the guests.

Officers, delegates, life members and visitors, all join in hearty thanks to the General Committee and their helpers for the pleasure enjoyed in Monmouth, during the Forty-third Annual Convention.

MARY CLOKEY PORTER GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, TANTA, EGYPT



SIDE VIEW MARY CLOKEY PORTER GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, TANTA, EGYPT

every-time the van passed a tree, Ahmed had to dodge his head or else lose his turban which once he nearly did.

Yours lovingly,

MINNEHAHA FINNEY

TANTA
MARY CLOKEY PORTER GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL

The happiest event of the year was the coming of Miss Sarah Meloy the first of November to be an associate in the direction of the school. Her presence and help have been a great comfort and source of encouragement in the work. Her help has been especially appreciated in the planning for the new school.

I suppose the thing of outstanding interest during the year has been the steady progress of the new building. The foundation only had been laid at the beginning of the year. Since then the work has gone steadily forward and now, February 1926, it is nearing completion. Not many weeks will pass before it will be finished and ready for occupancy. Every one who sees it exclaims over what a fine building it is. It is plastered on the outside with cement colored plaster and the shutters are painted a dark green. The wall around the grounds is plastered in the same way and it is quite impressive. Many of the people speak of it as "the college," which indicates a greater dignity than merely "the school."

Many are the declarations that one hears of the purpose of sending children to us, but time will tell how many of them are sincere. It has given much satisfaction to hear the often expressed wish on the part of the parents of former boarders that the school will quickly get into the new building so that they may bring their daughters back to us. A number of these have been Moslems and that makes us feel doubly happy.

This year will be known in the annals of the school as its moving year. Last April when it came time to renew the contract for the old school building, some of us in the station felt we were paying too much rent for a building in the condition in which that one had become. So we made an offer to the owner to lessen the rent or we felt we could not longer remain in the building. He refused to lessen it so there was nothing left to do, but to leave, and at the end of June we moved into the two new Mission buildings that were finished at the end of 1924. The Station Circle assigned us three flats —the lower floors of the two buildings and the flat above in the Foreign Board building for the use of the resident teachers and the missionaries in charge. Then at the Christmas holidays, we who were in that flat came over to the Community Center building and are housed here for the present. There is a probability that we may go into the new school in May. Then our moving days will be over.

There was no room in these buildings for the boarding department, so it had to be dropped for the year. Two of the boarders were in the class that would have been the highest class this year. Another one of the class failed and that made the class very small, so that the sixth year class was dropped for this year also.

Five girls successfully passed the

uniform examinations in the graduating class at the end of June and were given the school diploma. A very informal social affair was held one afternoon at the close of school at which the diplomas were given to the girls. One of these girls came back as a teacher at the opening of school in September and is teaching this year. I was very much surprised that her parents were willing for her to come for she has no need financially to teach, but the father came to me at the opening of school and said if I had any work for his daughter to do to send for her. I was very glad for her help and sent for her and she is showing a very earnest spirit in her work. Another one of the class was engaged in the summer, but the wedding is not to take place for a year. All of the girls before leaving the school said they had given their hearts and lives to Christ.

So far this year the attendance and tuition fees have been very much as last year. I hope we may have something left of the budget at the end of the year to help us in providing equipment for the new school for there is so much needed. I hope next year, God willing, to write you our report from the new building. We do not forget at all the great generosity of the good women and children of the church at home in providing such a splendid building for the girls of Egypt and never cease to be grateful to them for it.

CAROL E. MCMILLAN

TANTA, EGYPT

It scarcely seems possible that another yearly report is due. I feel very humble when I consider the little I have to report.

My two years in the School of Oriental Studies in Cairo were completed the last of October and I came to Tanta to take up my appointment for work with Miss McMillan in the Mary Clokey Porter School for girls. It is a most interesting time to begin work here as we are on the eve of getting into our fine new building. We are busy with plans for advancement, and this building is surely a challenge to us to put forth our best efforts in school work for the growth of Christ's kingdom in this needy land. I am in the apprentice stage at present, trying to learn all I can of school life in a foreign land. I am finding that many of the problems are really much the same as we have at home, with many additional ones. It is a real privilege to be permitted to work in such a school as we have here, where Miss McMillan has worked for so many years. Arabic necessarily continues to claim a good part of my time and I am fortunate in being able to secure good teachers here.

On Sabbath afternoons I am teaching a class of small boys in the street Sabbath School held at Kafr Ali-Aghe. During the week we have a small day school in one of the worst sections of the city and that is where our street Sabbath School is held. The average daily attendance in the Sabbath School is about 50, composed about equally of boys and girls. It is a fine experience to help in such a school where the poor children come

from their wretched homes, seemingly anxious to learn. The golden text cards distributed as the children leave, may be the main attraction but nevertheless they have learned some truths from God's word which we can only hope and pray may be the means of transforming their lives.

SARAH B. MELOY

MARTHA McKEOWN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

"The Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad," and all the friends who have been praying for us will rejoice with us. We thank God and take courage. When we think of this great Gharbia Province, with its 1,625,000 Moslems, what are we among so many? But we know that all things are possible with Him.

The past year has been one of hard work and wonderful opportunity. Dr. Grant left us for his much needed furlough May 25th.; his leaving put the work of three doctors on the remaining two.

The statistical report which accompanies this letter shows that out of the 1303 patients treated 1008 were Moslems, or about 77½%. Has not this been a great privilege to have given this number of the followers of the False Prophet an opportunity to hear of Christ and his love?

The number of villages represented is 218. This shows what a zone of influence the hospital has. Each patient has many visitors and Mr. Morcus, our evangelist preaches to the visitors alone twice a week. He then has a congregation from 150 to 200 some of whom argue but many listen and all carry away tracts and scriptural portions. Mr. Kamel Mansour, a converted Moslem from Cairo, helped in this work for a few weeks and he held the attention of the Moslems as only a regenerated Moslem can do.

There are many nationalities represented; Egyptian, Berberine, Jew, Greek, Armenian, Turk, Bedouin, English and American. And the religions are just as varied. There was a converted Moslem Judge from Constantinople who was continually seeking more light and gave evidence of true conversion. A Jewish merchant who was operated on, at first did not listen but during his thirty days stay took a gospel and now believes in Christ. A Coptic man who had lived in Tanta for several years without knowing where the church was, entered as a patient and after some teaching and reading he promised to go to church. Now he is a regular attendant at church and his home is open to the missionaries. He is surely converted. One old Moslem Sheik, at first was indifferent and refused to listen; later he asked to be forgiven for not listening and asked to be read to and prayed for. He could not read but his brother could and took tracts and scriptural portions. Another Moslem a weaver by trade, became so interested that he plead with the evangelist to go to his home 25 miles away so his neighbors could hear the gospel story. He said that he had never heard such teaching. The women listen well though few of them can read. One blind Koran reader would call as soon as the evangelist would enter the ward, "I am going to listen."

Many minds seem blank but others grasp enough to repeat some of the daily message to others. Would that the result would be the same as that of the Samaritan woman's message to her village.

We still beg for the completion of the hospital, especially to allow better treatment of our clean surgical cases. Our wards are so crowded that we cannot give the space required by the Government for each patient. And our nurses are still occupying the rooms intended for missionary patients. The eighty-four missionaries treated in the hospital the past year had to use rooms intended for Egyptian patients, and when the hospital was full as many as four had to occupy one room.

Another great need is a chapel where the hospital workers and convalescing patients may be taught quiet and reverent worship. At present a small waiting room is being used for prayers.

The last great need that I shall mention is another doctor. Dr. Hutchinson goes on furlough the last of May 1926 and Dr. Grant is not due back until October. This means that the work of the four heaviest months of the year will fall on one doctor. It is an impossible task. He will be obliged to close down part of the work and carry on the best he can alone, and forego his summer vacation.

A short time ago an Egyptian friend asked me what I was going to do about this summer, I said that I did not know. He asked "Why do not more doctors come?" I told him that they have greater opportunities for making money in America. He replied by saying, "Are there no more doctors in America that will come to Egypt for Christ's sake?"

Here is a challenge to the medical men of the U. P. Church.

W. T. MOORE, M. D.

STATISTICAL REPORT MARTHA McKEOWN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, TANTA, EGYPT —1925—

Number of Patients admitted		1303
Men	703	
Women	441	
Children	159	
		1303

NATIONALITIES

Egyptian	1160	
American	87	
British	17	
Syrian	15	
Greek	7	
Italian	3	
Armenian	2	
Turkish	1	
Sudanese	1	
Berber	1	
		1303

RELIGIONS

Moslem	1008	
Protestant	159	
Coptic	105	
Greek Orthodox	18	
Roman Catholic	12	
Armenian Orthodox	1	
		1303

RESULTS

Cured	464	
Improved	483	
Unimproved	139	
Died	30	
Unclassified	49	
Under Observation	54	
Delivered	28	
Still in Hospital	56	
		1303

Anaesthetics

Chloroform and Ether	340
Stovaine	77
Novocaine	91
Cocaine	7

Intravenous Injections

Tartar Emetic	5157	
Neo-salvarsan	184	
		5341

Obestetrical Cases

In Hospital	28	
Out-patients	2	
		30
Total Number of Hospital Days		22597
Average Number of Days per Patient		17.446
Number of Patients Operated on		602
Number of Operations		680
Number of Missionaries and Missionary Children in Hospital		81
Hospital Days for Missionaries		706
Operations on Missionaries		36
Physical Examinations of Missionaries		91
Towns and Villages represented by Hospital Patients		218

OPERATIONS

Head and Neck

Curettement of Lower Jaw	1
Empyema of Frontal Sinus	1
Goiter removed	1
Lacerated Scalp repaired	1
Mastoid Operation	1
Nasal Septum	1
Tonsillectomy	45
Tonsil Tag removed	1
Trachoma, Lid operation	7
Trephining of Skull in fracture	2
Tuberculous Glands of Neck	6

Upper Extremities

Amputation of Fingers	4
Compound Communated Fracture of Elbow, operation	4
Drainage of Septic Arm	1
Osteomyelitis of Bones of Hand and Arm	7
Repair of Lacerated Hand	1
Tuberculous Glands of Axilla	1

Lower Extremities

Amputation of Leg	2
Amputation of Toe	1
Bunion, radical cure	1
Curettement Lupus of Skin of Foot	1
Excision of Corns	3
Forcible Correction of Club Foot	1
Ingrowing Toe-nail, radical cure	3
Inguinal Glands Removed	1
Laceration of Foot Repaired	1
Osteomylitis of Bones of Leg and Foot	6
Removal of Bullet from Foot	1

Abdominal

Appendectomy	12
Cholecystotomy	1
Hernia, L. I. H.	19
Hernia, R. I. H.	26
Hernia, Strangulated	6
Hernia, Umbilical	5
Hernia, Ventral	7
Laparotomy	10
Obstruction of Bowel, lateral anastomosis	1
Obstruction of Bowel, reduction of twist	1
Omentopexy, Talma Morrison	3
Paracentesis	18
Peritonitis, drainage of Peritoneum	4
Splenectomy	4

Gynecological

Amputation of Crevix	2
Cervical Polypi	3
Colporrhaphy	12
Curettement for Endometritis	47
Curettement for Hydatiform Mole	1
Curettement for Incomplete Miscarriage	7
Cyst of Labia Minora excised	1
Dermoid Cyst of Ovary	1
Hysterectomy, subtotal	8
Nephro-Lithotomy	1
Ovarian Cyst	7
Pelvic Abscess, Abdominal Route	1
Pelvic Abscess, Vaginal route	4
Operation for Vestibular Anus	2
Salpingectomy	1
Shortening Round Ligaments, Baldy Webster	3
Trachelorrhaphy	13
Uterine Fibroid, per vaginum	2
Ventral Suspension	4
Vesico-Vaginal Fistula	1

Genito-Urinary and Rectal

Abscess of Scrotum drained	2
Amputation of Scrotum	1
Bilharzial Polypi of Rectum	59
Bilharzia of Spermatic Cord	1
Calculus of Bladder, Lithotrity	7
Calculus of Bladder, Perineal Lithotomy	4
Calculus of Bladder Suprapubic Lithotomy	9
Circumcision	15
Cystoscopy	2
Cystotomy for Bilharzia	5
Epididymotomy	1
Fissure in Ano	9
Hemorrhoidectomy, Ligature	32
Hemorrhoidectoy, Whitehead	7
Hydrocele	21
Ischio Rectal Abscess	3
Orchidectomy	1
Perineal Fistula	16
Proctoscopy	1
Prolapse of Rectum	3
Rectal Stricture	1
Scrotum drained for Hematocele	1
Tumor of Penis, bilharzial	1
Urethral Fistula	2
Varicocele	1
Vasectomy	1

Miscellaneous

Abscesses Opened	26
Amputation of Breast, radical	2
Axillary Tumor removed	1
Blocking of Sciatic Nerve	1

Miscellaneous Operations

Curettement of old Empyema wound	3
Examination under General Anaesthesia	3
Extraction of Teeth, cases	48
Exploration and Drainage of Pleura	6
Excision of Cicatrix	1
Excision of Coccyx	1
Lipomata removed	8
Plaster casts applied	5
Removal of Papillary Mole	8
Resection of Ribs in Empyema	6
Sinus of Back	1
Skin Grafting	9

DISEASES TREATED

Head (including Nose and Throat

Abscess, Peritonsillar	1
Adenoids	3
Brain Abscess	1
Carcinoma of Jaw	1
Cerebral Hemorrhage	1
Conjunctivitis	3
Corneal Ulcer	1
Empyema of Maxillary Antrum	4
Empyema of Frontal Sinus	1
Fracture of Skull	3
Goiter, simple	1
Goiter, exophthalmic	1
Mastoiditis, chronic	1
Otitis Media	3
Papilloma of Scalp	2
Parotitis suppurative	3
Tonsilitis, acute follicular	1
Tonsilitis, chronic	36
Trachoma	5

Respiratory

Asthma	10
Bronchitis	3
Empyema	4
Pneumonia, Lobar	5
Pneumonia, Bronchial	6
Pleurisy, simple	2
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	25

Cardio-Vascular

Cardio-Renal Disease	10
Endocarditis	10
Myocarditis	14
Valvular Disease	5

Gastro-Intestinal

Abscess of Liver	1
Appendicitis	14
Appendiceal Abscess	3
Ascites	7
Carcinoma, Colon	1
Carcinoma, Caecum	1
Carcinoma, Stomach	1
Cholecystitis	1
Cholelithiasis	1
Cirrhosis of Liver	2
Colitis Mucous	1
Duodenal Ulcer	1
Fissure, anal	7
Fistula, anal	16
Gastric Ulcer	1
Gastritis	16
Gastro-Enteritis	3
Hemorrhoids	49
Hepatitis	5
Ischio-rectal Abscess	3
Obistipation	1
Obstruction of Bowels	4
Peritonitis, acute	3

Portal Thrombosis	1
Proctitis	1
Pruritis, ani	1
Rectal Polypi	59
Rectal Prolapse	4
Stomatitis	2
Stricture of Oesophagus	1
Stricture of Rectum	2
Tuberculous Enteritis	1
Typhoid Fever	2
Ulcerated Rectum	1
Visceroptosis	1

Genito-Urinary

Abscess of Kidney	1
Abscess of Pelvis	5
Abscess of Prostrate	1
Abscess of Scrotum	1
Amenorrhea	1
Carcinoma of Bladder	5
Carcinoma of Prostate	1
Cervical Laceration	9
Cervical Polypus	2
Cervical Stenosis	10
Cervicitis	3
Cystitis	13
Cystocele	2
Cyst of Labia	1
Cyst of Ovary	2
Dysmenorrhea	3
Endometritis	18
Epididymitis	1
Fibroid Uterus	8
Gonorrhea	3
Granuloma, inguinal	2
Hematoma of Scrotum	1
Hydatiform Mole	1
Hydramnios	1
Hydrocele of Spermatic Cord	1
Hydrocele of Tunica Vaginalis	23
Hypertrophy of Prostate	1
Miscarriage, incomplete	8
Nephritis	7
Nephro lithiosis	1
Pelvic Cellulitis	8
Phimosis	6
Prolapse of Uterus	6
Prostatitis	1
Pyonephritis	1
Rectocele	4
Renal Colic	9
Retroverted Uterus	9
Sterility	6
Subinvolution of Uterus	1
Undescended Testis	1
Urethral Stricture	2
Uremia	2
Uterine Hemorrhage	2
Vaginitis	1
Vericocele	1
Vesical Calculus	20
Vesico Vaginal Fistula	2
Vicarious Menstruation	1

Extremities and Trunk

Abscesses	26
Arthritis	6
Bunion	1
Carcioma of Female Breast	3
Contusion of Leg	1
Fracture, compound	2
Fracture, simple	4
Fracture, spine	1
Gangrene of Foot	2
Gunshot Wound of Foot	1
Hand, infection	3
Hernia, inguinal	51
Hernia, umbilical	5
Hernia, ventral	7
Ingrowing Toe nail	1
Knee, septic	3
Lacerations of Hands and Feet	6
Lipomata	3
Osteomyelitis	13
Phlebitis	3
Psoriasis	1
Rheumatism, acute articular	1
Rheumatism, chronic	4
Rheumatism, sciatic	2
Supernumerary Thumb	1
Supernumerary Toe	1
Talipes equinovarus	1
Tuberculous Adenitis	6
Tuberculous Hip	1
Tuberculous Knee	1
Tuberculous Spine	1

Parasitic Infections

Amoebiasis	29
Ankylostomiasis	249
Ascariasis	500
Bilharziasis	356
Dysentery, bacillary	10
Dysentery, flagellate	5
Malaria	6

Miscellaneous

Acne	1
Coccygodinia	1
Diabetes Mellitus	11

Drug Addiction	3
Eczema	5
Favus	10
Furunculosis	1
Hemiplegia	2
Hysteria	3
Influenza	13
Leprosy	1
Lupus	2
Malta Fever	2
Mastitis	1
Measles	1
Meningitis	2
Mental	2
Neuralgia	2
Neurasthenia	2
Paresis	1
Paget's Disease	1
Pellagra	23
Pharyngitis, chronic	3
Poisoning	2
Progressive Muscular Distrophy	1
Pyemia	3
Sarcoma, Knee	2
Sarcoma, Maxilla	1
Sarcoma, Rectum	1
Sarcoma, Shoulder	1
Sarcoma, Toe	1
Scabies	3
Septicemia	3
Spinal Sclerosis	1
Splenic Abscess	1
Splenomegaly, Egyptian	36
Syphilis	20
Typhus	1

BENHA
GIRLS' SCHOOL AND EVANGELISTIC WORK

The work amongst the women in this District, this year, has been increasing. It has been a source of great joy to us that we have been able to secure a new worker and thus were able to open up work in three new villages. The new villages opened to Women's work are—Mansheya, Kafr Saraya and Quesna. In Mansheya the Bible women have been able to secure a welcome in fifteen different homes, most of which are Mohammedans. On Sabbath day we have a Sabbath School there for the street children. As this is a new village we only have about twenty-five children each Sabbath and their conduct is not all that could be desired. However, the start is made and we do not expect perfection the first year.

In Kafr Saraya the work is not so encouraging. This is a Mohammedan village with not a single Christian family living there and so we naturally expect to start more slowly. However, we have four homes opened to us and the Bible stories are certainly welcomed there.

Quesna is the third new village opened to the Women's worker. Last year I reported that we had just started a Street Sabbath School there. This year it gives us great joy to report that a Bible Woman is now located in this village and a Girls' School has been opened. This school has an enrollment of sixty-four pupils and promises to be a self supporting school. We are hoping to conduct Communion services in Quesna in a short time as there are now two Protestant families living there. Another man wishes to join the church and the teacher and Bible Woman also commune.

The Street Sabbath Schools of Benha and Kafr Manakir are progressing about as usual. The attendance is keeping up well with an average each week of about one hundred and twenty children. We notice that this year the children are much quicker about remembering the Bible stories and those who come in from time to time who have been

absent for a year or more are still able to repeat the memory verses. We feel that this is one of the most encouraging phases of the work here.

Two new Missionary Societies have been organized this year, also, and the women are learning the joy of giving. Some of the women, a year ago, refused to go to Sabbath School because an offering was taken. Now, when the Bible Woman asks them to come to a meeting their first question is, "Is this the day we can pay our money?" If the reply is in the affirmative they hasten to get ready to go and when the offering is taken some of them put in five or six pieces of money—what they have been saving up for some days for this purpose—all of them put in at least one piece.

The work in the Benha Girls' School has had a great set back this year which has given us a great many anxious hours. The French school opened and a good many of our girls left and went to the new school. Since our attendance is small it has given us a splendid chance to do more individual work with the pupils and we cannot but be glad for this opportunity. It is such a joy to watch the girls develop and when we have such a small number to work with — only seventy — it seems as though we can see results of our efforts much more quickly. Oh, the joy that is ours in having just a little part in this great work of teaching these little ones of Him who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me."

JEANNETTE L. MCCRORY

THE REPORT OF THE AMERICAN MISSION CLINIC BENHA, EGYPT

The Year 1925

Number treated each month	Money Received during the year
January, 585	$ 9.95
February, 2500	19.25
March 1315	28.40
April, 1573	19.12
May, 2694	86.50
June, 2952	39.50
July, 2149	28.25
August, 2015	29.55
September, 2985	34.40
October, 2212	35.80
November, 3225	27.20
December, 3362	28.10

Diseases Treated During the Year

Simple eye diseases	2000
Sore heads	150
Scabies	185
Other skin diseases	110
Facial treatment	22
Malnutrition	100
Fever	50
Whooping cough	50
Measles	86
Pellegra	2
Pneumonia	10
Dysentry	25
Hypodermics	25
Diphtheria	10

Religions

Moslems	26,449
Copt	60
Jews	20
Protestants	15
Catholics	3

Villages represented 73 including Benha.

Dr. Foad, who is employed by the Government has seen all the cases that needed a physician, free of charge and in many cases gave medicine free also. All the diphtheria cases were given antitoxin by the Government or other physicians and we know of only one death. All infectious cases were seen by the doctor.

I must say a word about our

faithful Bible Woman, a graduate of the Bible Women's Training School in Tanta, who not only gives her time, but herself, to the service of God in this clinic. She can make a dress of almost nothing. She had made two little dresses for children out of old blouses of Mrs, McConnell. And she is only a girl. I wish she might stay with us always.

MAY HOLLAND

CAIRO

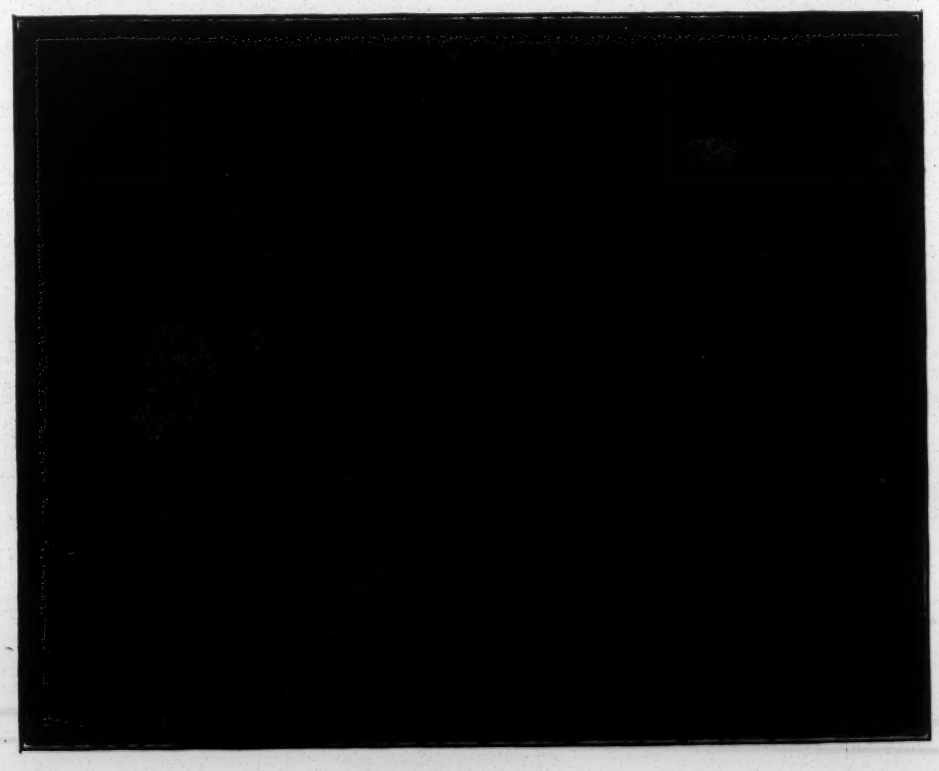
REPORT OF WORK AMONG WOMEN

At the end of 54 years on the field, health seems more of a blessing than I used to consider it, and the ability to go on my round of duties, is indeed a great blessing.

In the beginning of February, 1925, I took a street motor car to go to a meeting for a Thank-Offering service where Mrs. Acheson had asked me to speak. I never thought of any bad roads, but was sitting comfortably leaning back when I got a bump that took the breath out of me, and afterwards laid me aside for two weeks.

The Bible women's work has gone along steadily during the year, with one month as vacation for each one. There are different ladies who take supervision of different women. Mrs. Finney had charge of the Shoubra district, and her death in January was a serious loss to the work and church there, which she had loved and helped in every possible way. It has been arranged that Miss Wilson will continue to go to play their organ for the church service, and that I attend the women's meeting on Thursday mornings.

Mrs. Hart took the loving supervision of the work in Shoubra en Nuzha, and Mensheat el Sadr. Young missionaries are now to visit these places and superintend the work.

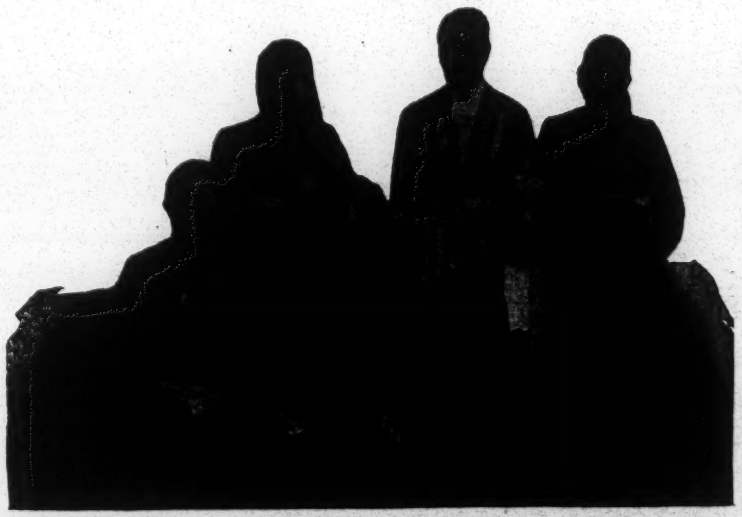


DR. BUCHANAN
Courtesy of Board of Foreign Missions

Mrs. Acheson still goes to the Husseinia quarter and Kharonfoche. Mrs. Zwemer superintends and works in the two Child Welfare Centers which were opened and carried on by Dr. Carrie M. Buchanan. These are the places where there are only Mohammedans to come, and these Welfare Centers reach a wonderful number of the poorer class of Mohammedans, many of whom are delighted to listen to the gospel; and the Bible women there are able to to give very encouraging reports of some of these. In Shoubra en Nuzha, a shiekh teacher divorced his wife this week, because she would not give up reading of the Bible. So that means that we must be responsible for the young woman. She has no children.

I continued for the year to go to Fum el Khalig on Sabbath morning for Sabbath School and church, and I visited the school, and did some work with the Bible woman in the district, mostly among the church members. This is the neighborhood where Miss M. A. Smith had a school years ago, and where the Orphanage was begun. Besides visiting in Sakkaeen, she still goes there with her Bible woman, where she receives a warm welcome from every one and from the Mohammedan women who live in the huts. Circumstances in the congregation and the distance away, made me give up my part of the church work there, but I continue the superintendence of the Bible woman.

The work in the little school in Aboul Ela still keeps on with a daily average attendance of about thirty-five. Since September Mr. Grice has charge of the Sabbath afternoon Sabbath School, when nearly one-half of the boys and girls who attend are Mohammedans of the poorer class. There is a meeting for women conducted in the court on Wednesdays.



Anna Y. Thompson and Bible Women of Cairo
Courtesy of Board of Foreign Missions

The Bible women, of whom there are nineteen in Cairo (with one superannuated) still meet once a month to give in their reports, and to receive a Bible lesson by the pastor in the Ezbekieh congregation, besides a time for prayer together and

a lesson on Mohammedanism. Mrs. Coventry has charge of the three Bible women who work in the Kolali district and has a weekly meeting with them, also the three in the Faggala district who meet in her house once a week. I have tried to attend as many church prayer meetings as I can in order to encourage the pastors.

The temperance work in Egypt has received more or less of my care, especially since Dr. Carrie Buchanan left for America.

I am also a member of the World's Sabbath School Association Committee, and the Evangelistic Board, and I attended two of the conferences.

In the eighteen districts where the nineteen Bible women visit, are enrolled 2475 names, being almost three hundred more than the previous year. 575 of those enrolled were Mohammedans, and some of the Bible women are very much encouraged about their attentiveness.

I made 378 calls on Arabic speaking people, and 164 on English speaking people.

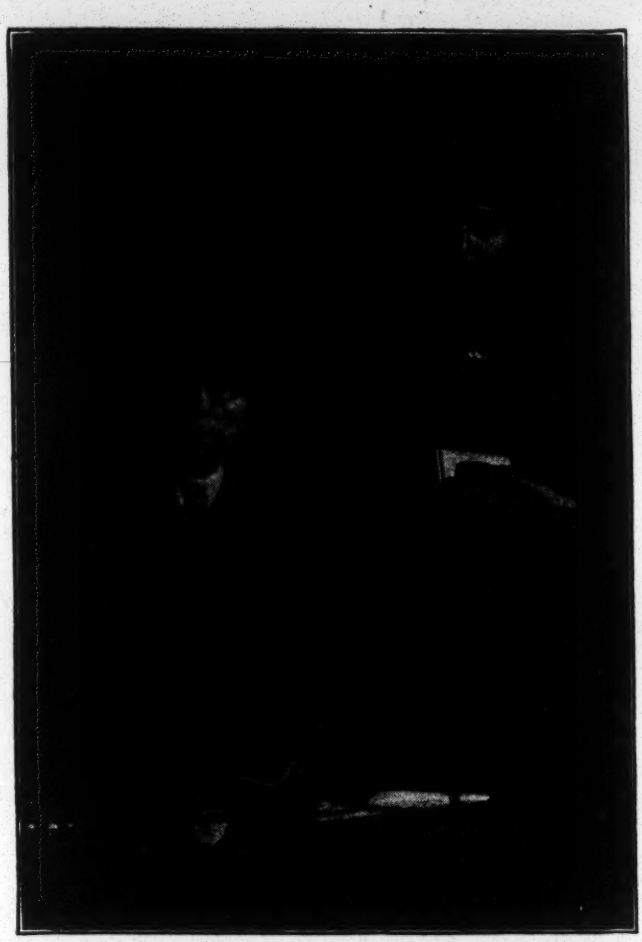
ANNA Y. THOMPSON

WORK AMONG WOMEN
HARET-ES-SAKKAIN DISTRICT

In January I went to Assiut to attend the Association, our annual meeting. When I arrived I was taken to the hospital and was in the hospital until almost the end of the Association, and after my return to Cairo I was unfit for work until the end of the month.

Sitt Rifka the Bible woman and I have visited from three to five, and sometimes more houses daily in the forenoon. She often visits a few more houses. We have tried to visit as many Moslem homes as possible. The women receive us kindly but let us know often that they do not wish to hear the Word of God. They are very much afraid of it as they know that to receive Christ means the giving up of friends and property, and perhaps of life. Our postman and his wife and baby came one evening to visit us and to ask about our religion. Among other questions he said, "Do you think the Koran is not the Word of God?" To answer in the affirmative would be to a Moslem the greatest blasphemy. I took the Gospel out of his hand and read from Rev. 21:18—from the 18th verse to the end about adding to or taking from the Word. He was shocked but asked me to pray before they went away. He asked for a Bible and I gave him one, but he has not come back to see us since that time. I go to see them sometimes but he is not at home.

We visit not only in the district of Haret es Sakkaeen but as far south as Fum el Khalig. There are some very poor people there, living in huts, in filth and squalor. Just now a poor woman, who is a member of the church, is very sick in this place with typhoid fever. How she lives in this miserable place I do not know. Women and children gathered into this little space until it was full, when Rifka read and we explained and prayed. There are many poor people but we can do something to help them. This poor woman and some others are on my mind a great deal. Some of them do not wish to hear the comforting words of Jesus, but others listen and understand and rejoice in the Word.



This is Rifka, my Bible woman who goes with me to the houses. She was one of my girls in the Fowler Orphanage. She is a Faithful helper. M. A. Smith

Rifka, my helper, is very much liked by the women we visit. There are many good people who receive us joyfully and love to hear the Word of God. I have had much pleasure in giving away parts of Scriptures in the streets. I have given away hundreds to men who were eager to get them. If one Mohammedan refuses to take a book those near him will also refuse, but if one asks for a book others will ask for them. A Moslem said to those who could hear him, "You must not read these books, they will make you infidels."

A poor man, a graduate of the Azhar, the Mohammedan University, was converted and baptized some 14 years ago. All these years he has been persecuted by his father(who had hoped to make him the head of a mosque), and is driven from place to place. He has a wife and four children. His father and his wife's father are wealthy and feel that this son has brought great shame upon them, and so he is driven from one place to another. He cannot get work because of these persecutions. He and his family are in dire need. I want to ask you to pray for them that they may be kept true to their faith in Christ and that he and his son may find work to do. I am to go tomorrow with the son to the American Bible Society depot, as their agent said they would try him with selling books, of which he would

have half the price of those he sold, but no wages until he proved himself fit for the work. This is pretty hard for one who has never done any work of that kind, so we must give him something to get necessary food for a day or two. Please pray for this poor weak follower of our Lord and Saviour.

Did I tell you about my Sabbath School class? The Sabbath School meets at half past eight all the year round. It is so very early that the women who have families and babies find it hard to get there in time, so I am very happy to have 10 or 12 and sometimes more interested listeners. The time given for the lesson is very short, usually 15 or 20 minutes. Then we have also a Women's Missionary Society of about the same number. Some of them are very poor but they all give something. The Thank-Offering was over four pounds. At Christmas time the church workers, i. e., the pastor Rev. Saleh Hannalla and his wife, and the teachers in the Sabbath School were here and a wonderful answer to prayer came into my mind and I asked Rev. Saleh if he remembered a man whom we thought was dying with cholera. He said, "Yes, and this is his son Naser Effendi". It was at the time of a cholera epidemic when I had charge of the school and Bible work in this district. One of the Bible women , Sitt Shefika came to the school in the early morning crying, saying that her uncle had been very sick all night and that he was dying. I sent her to Rev. Saleh to ask him to pray for him. I carried cholera medicine, (chlorodyne) with me. I hurried to the house and gave him a dose. There were many bottles in another room. The man's wife and I filled them with hot water and put them all around the sick man's bed, which was a mattress on the floor. People were panic stricken, so afraid were they of the cholera. Rev. Saleh told his part of the story in this way. When the teacher brought the message to him he said, "How can I go to death." His wife said, "Are you the Lord's captain and refuse to go?" so he went. When he entered the room he said a man was there preparing the burial garment. The dying man made a sign for Rev. Saleh to come near. He talked to him and prayed earnestly for him and gave him some kind of medicine. Well, the Lord heard the prayers of his servant and the man still lives to this day, I hope a changed man. His son is a helper here in the Lord's work. He is a poor man but gives freely of his time on the Lord's day to His service.

We are living in a Moslem house. The people occupying the flat above us and those beneath are Moslems. They are very kind and neighborly but they do not wish to hear about Jesus and his religion. The mother of the lady living below us died a few months ago. She and I were great friends. She begged me to come and see her often but did not wish to talk of or read the Word of God.

MARGARET A. SMITH

HARET-ES-SAKKAIN SCHOOL

There seems to be a better spirit in our school this year than I have ever seen before, more real love for the school among the pupils, more appreciation of the work done, a

spirit of industry, of give and take, of willingness to learn how to study.

There have been some changes in program. The Gospel of John is being studied by the second grade with Old Testament stories once a week. I have taken this class myself and the struggles of those little ones to master the classical Arabic fills at least one heart with joy.

The First Year Primary has been making much appreciated geography note books with many illustrations. Last year they tried to illustrate their own notes with free hand drawings. This was successful but took time. Now I cut the pictures from travel advertisements, magazines, and missionary pamphlets. They have traced Paul's missionary journeys and although their course requires the study of Africa only we have taken many trips around the Mediterranean Sea with brief ventures into Europe, a trip to New York by aeroplane, across the U. S. A. by railroad, across the Pacific in a big ship to see the much talked of curiosities of China and Japan. They now trace their maps and paste many cutouts. The classified geographical pictures pasted on rose-red paper threaten to outgrow their allotted space in the cupboard.

Christmas was an unusually happy time this year. Every pupil got a beautiful well-dressed doll as well as a bag of nuts, candy and an orange. The program was a sweet service of Christmas carols, Bible verses, choruses, two dialogues, a brief address by the pastor, especially for the Moslem women present, the lighting of the tree and the singing of the candle song.

After our own Christmas all the workers went to the big court where we have a street Sabbath School each Sabbath at 11 a. m. Of course when they saw the little Christmas tree coming up the street already decorated, all the children in the street ran calling to their friends to come. There were four times as many as usual and the big court was quite full. The mats were not nearly big enough, many children as well as women and a few Moslem men having to stand. All were quiet and followed the leader during the opening prayer, listening attentively to the Christmas story and the explanation of the tree. All sang the Arabic choruses, or tried to, but by the time we reached the Lord's Prayer I am afraid it was repeated with more sound and excitement than reverence and when the big basket containing the candy and nuts was brought forward there was a general stampede. All were made to sit down, take the picture card politely and say thank you, but no one knows whether all in the roaring mob got some of the candy or not. Well it paid in spite of the final disorder. Only *our* sensibilities were offended; they felt quite at home in it. This week we are making it our business to call, in as many as possible of those Moslem homes, following up the popularity which the Christmas tree gave us. We are astonished to find what good homes many of them are. May our Lord and Master help us to a better understanding of each other and of His way for us.

Mrs. Lansing of the American University gave us a lot of table-covers and doilies stamped for em-

broidering and all the material needed. With these an honest trial is being made to keep together another class of Moslem women, really to study some Bible Truth with a more apparant teaching of hand work, sewing, crochet, making of baby caps and copying the patterns which one of the churches in Philadelphia Presbytery sent.

I covet your prayers for Zainab. I have four particular friends of that name, three of them daughters of beys yet so needy of higher spiritual life. One's mother was an English woman. Zainab came to our house last year not knowing the first beginnings of the things one learns in school. She came to the house for three months, twice a week and this year is in school leading her class in every branch although most of those with her have been in school for years. She shows a fine appreciation of Christian ideals but during prayer always stands with head upright and eyes wide open staring at the leader with an almost scared look, plainly showing the home-influence pulling her away from us.

Another Zainab, a fat curly headed roly poly, comes dressed in luxury but with a gentle democratic disposition. Her father is a superior officer, director of prisons and a man who looks well after his family. He knew Americans in Constantinople and now sends his son Mahmoud with Zainab. This week two little cousins have begun to come with them. It is an innovation in our dirty back street to have four, so luxuriously clad, hopping out of their own fine private carriage at our big front door, accompanied by two servants.

One fourth are free pupils and we do not have so many as we wish for and still the Moslem schools are opening up on all sides and we are closely watched by both Copts and Moslems. There are teachers in these schools who are related to the patrons of our school and they are on the lookout constantly to entice away as many girls and boys as possible.

At the regular Sabbath School there is an attendance of almost 100% of the day school because early in each month a social is given, and all are invited who have not missed a day at Sabbath School or day-school the month before. At this social are games and refreshments (cake and cinnamon nut-tea) served in style in the drawing room at 15 Sami St. No one wants to go home till we have singing and prayer.

There are discouragements; for instance Fatma's mother will not come to the religious meetings although I tell her that it is a disgrace for one to refuse to thank the Lord for her daughter's free education. When we compare the children of the Christian schools with others there is cause to rejoice. What is changing Egypt so noticeably? Christian Education surely has a big place in this work. Look at all our schools scattered the length of Egypt and think of the number of pupils going out every year. The leavening has now reached the place when great upheavals are soon to appear on the surface.

ISABEL HOSACK

BIBLE WORK AND SCHOOLS IN KULALI, FAGGALA, KOBESSI AND HELWAN DISTRICTS

My lines of work are two in a special way and may I talk of the school first? Not that it is more important than the other but it is the institution with which I am connected and it is more easily talked of than the other. I found when I came back from a furlough, a greater desire among the Egyptians than ever before, for education. It does not seem to matter so much what kind but they seem to want the name of sending their children to school. I found from the first a crowded condition and we have had to turn away pupils constantly, even Moslem children have had to be told that there was not a place for them. We were particularily sorry for we have been praying for more Moslem pupils and we have not been able to take all that come to us. Our hopes for a full school have been more than realized. The regularity of attendance has been markedly better than ever before in my experience. The parents found that if their children were not regular that some day their places would be full and they could not come back so they have been very regular in their attendance and of course that helps towards better work in schools.

The earnestness of the pupils to use the privileges that are theirs is no greater than one would find at home and yet the children are doing much that is worthy of praise in their daily work. The teachers have had a hard time in this school for in the last eleven years there have been some twelve changes in the Superintendent and that is hard on the school. The teachers scarcely learn what one Superintendent wants till there is a change and another comes with different ways of doing things and time is lost thereby, but in spite of that, there are several very fine girls at work doing the best they can for the children. The attendance at the Sabbath School is most encouraging and we are so glad that there are so many who come. Out of more than 250 pupils we have more than 200 at the Sabbath School. We are greatly rejoiced over this. We are sorry that there is not room in the church to even encourage the older girls to stay for the church services for all the room, or almost all of it, is needed for the women who come in for the church services. The interest of the girls in the missionary meeting has been increased by asking the girls to give their missionary program to the midweek womens' meeting.

The Bible work is even more interesting than is the work among these 250 girls. One group of Bible women come to the school each Monday morning and we have a Bible class together and have an opportunity to talk over any of their special problems or needs and have a time of prayer together before they start out for their week's work in the homes. Some of the experiences that these women have are most interesting and make one feel that there is great good being done through these dear women who go about from day to day visiting in the homes and breaking the Bread of Life to many a hungry group that has no other opportunity of being thus refreshed. Then an-

other group of Bible women come to the house on Monday afternoon for their hour of Bible study and conference. Thus we keep in touch with each other and are helpers together in prayer and in conference. One of the results of the work of these women was shown just a few weeks ago when a pupil of one of these Bible women was baptized in our home. There was real joy in the hearts of those who had been dealing with her for some months when she took the step and confessed her love for the Master.

There is no part of the work that seems to be more worthy of our prayers or more in need of our constant intercession than these humble servants of God going from house to house teaching the Way of Life.

MARY K. COVENTRY

GIRLS' SCHOOLS, BENI SUEF

A knock on the door. A little girl wants to know if her mother may call. Why the question? Are not missionaries always ready for callers? Not always in this land. This caller is a Moslem woman and she wants to be sure that we have no men callers, so she always sends word before she comes that the way may be prepared for her. The little girl leaves and in about twenty minutes Lady, the mother of Hussein, appears and with her is a friend about her own age. After the greetings are over, I usher my guests into the living-room. But as I sit down, her friend arises, spreads her shawl on the carpet and begins to say her prayers. Lady, the mother of Hussein, engages me in a lively conversation about the children. I suggest diffidently that perhaps we would better not talk while her friend is praying but she insists that it makes no difference what ever, as her friend gains extra merit if she can keep her mind on her prayers when there is confusion about her. After some minutes our new friend finishes her bowing and her reciting of the formulas and gets up, picks up her shawl and seats herself in our American rocker. She explains that she had called on Lady, the mother of Hussein and had intended to pray there but found that her friend wanted to call on me and had suggested that she could pray at our house? Well, then we talked about real prayer and what it means etc. and they were much interested. I said that after an hour our teachers would be in for family prayers and I invited them to stay. But the baby was getting to be very uneasy and Lady, the mother of Hussein began to worry about the other children at home and so, after drinking a tiny cup of coffee together, they departed, saying that in the near future they would come again and see how we prayed! The next week, Lady, the mother of Hussein sent us three of her little girls to be enrolled in our girls' school. I have called many times in her home and am always very welcome. Pray that both these women and their families may learn to know the Living Saviour.

It is Monday afternoon, our "at-home" day. Today the guests are not all Egyptians as they often are. There is an English young lady, a nurse in our Tanta hospital. Next to her sits a German lady, who is the governess in an English family in Beni Suef. She is a Protestant Chris-

tian but the English people with whom she lives are Christian Scientists. She often gets very lonely and likes to come here for a little fellowship. We try to cheer her soul by playing "The Watch on the Rhine" on the music box which some good friends from America have sent to us. Next to the German lady sits a Syrian lady and her little girl. The mother speaks English fluently as she is a graduate of an American Quaker school in Ramallah, Palestine. Her husband is the representative of the Vacuum Oil Co., in this and surrounding towns. Next to our Syrian friend sits Sitt Shafeeka, our Bible woman and with her is a little Moslem girl, whose mother left her in charge of Sitt Shafeeka for an hour or two. There are also a few Egyptian guests. And with the Syrian lady, is her maid, a girl from the Trans-Jordania section. In her eyes one sees the fire of the war-like Arabs. And sitting next to her is the writer, an American Missionary of Dutch blood! But in spite of differences in race and customs we are sisters in Christ and we have a happy time together in the realization that we are bound together in one precious bundle of Life.

Who is this coming up the stairs? Ah, it is our blind evangelist from Ashment. It is marvelous the way he can find his way about. He comes to thank us for the letter of sympathy we wrote him two weeks before when his little boy died. Under his arm he carries a Braille copy of one of the Gospels, and many are the homes which he visits, bringing the knowledge of the Light of the World to those who have eyes but do not see. A short time ago we gave this blind evangelist two more books of the Bible in Braille and how happy he was! His ambition is to have them all so that he may know what is in the whole Bible. Can you see him armed with his Braille Bible, entering a a home, calling on the neighbors sitting down and with sightless eyes, but with the only real joy on his face, reading from the Book of Books? Are you doing as much for your Lord as he is?

Who is that climbing our stairs with heavy steps? Ah, it is Lady, the mother of Ishmael. She weighs over two hundred pounds and when she arrives at the top of the steps she is all out of breath. When she falls on one's neck to kiss one, one feels the need of a little support. But this time she is not in a friendly mood. She is in fact very angry with me and in a very loud tone of voice and accompanied by many appeals to the prophet (Mohammed), she assures me that I am mistaken in what I demand of her daughter who has a few days before enrolled as a pupil in our school. And why do I insist that her little girl must wear the school uniform when she has many pretty dresses at home? I assure her, gently but firmly, that our school, like all the other schools, has a distinctive uniform and that I can make no exception for her little girl. So she thinks I no longer love them and am no longer their friend. We discuss the matter for some time and after drinking Turkish coffee together, a calmer atmosphere prevails and after a while my friend leaves, happier, but still not satisfied. But the next day she sends the mony for the uniform

and our troubles seem to be over. After a few days we call on her and are cordially received and even have the privilege of reading a bit from the Bible to her and talking about the welfare of her soul. She is afraid we are trying to make a Christian out of her and she is always on her guard lest some day we do the deed! Oh, friends, pray that her hard heart may be softened and that she may realize her need of the forgiveness of God through the Blood of Christ.

Here comes Rev. Bulus Murkos, the pastor of our little Beni Suef church. With him is another pastor who is in Beni Suef because of the meeting of Presbytery. Soon after they are seated, two young ladies come in. Both are graduates of our school and members of our Alumni Club. The pastors are going to examine them as they desire to confess the Lord before the church the coming Sabbath. They cannot meet at the pastor's house because all the children have measles. Well, we are very happy at the way these two girls answer the questions concerning the faith that is in them. But we find that they are from very fanatical Coptic families and their parents have not yet given their consent. After some more inquiries into the state of affairs the pastor advises both girls to wait three months during which time we hope to convince the families that they should give these girls liberty in this matter and although we are disappointed we pray and trust that soon the door will be opened and they can openly confess the Lord they love.

And so they come and go—these dear people whom we are trying to lead to the Master. Sometimes hearts are heavy and sometimes they are glad but—always there is underneath a great joy because we are permitted to be His ambassadors in this needy Mohammedan land. We are glad, glad, that we can do our bit for Him in this beloved land. Don't you want to come too and share in this glorious privilege? He says, "I am with you always" and He always keeps His word.

Yours in His service,

HELEN J. NOORDEWIER

FAYOUM EVANGELISTIC WORK

Yearly reports always make me feel very humble for when I try to think back over the year's work I wonder what I have done which should be recorded.

My assignment from "the powers that be" here in Egypt this past year was to continue my work of having charge of Women's Work in the city of Fayoum and in the Fayoum district. I wonder if you know how many women I am responsible for? I am told that the population of the whole district is something like 508,000 and I suppose that more than half of this number must be women since all the men have one wife and some as many as four.

Our three Bible women live in the roof rooms of our Community Center and a splendid three they are. They do the work—I live and learn, although I am supposed to supervise them. Every day I learn more from them, than they from me. We study the Bible together, pray together each morning before starting to work, and visit the homes together. We have a special request which we

ask, that God will grant blessings to our pupils, some of whom we teach to read so that they can read the Bible, and others we teach to tell the stories. We insist that each pupil tell the week's story to someone before our next visit. Our prayer for them is that God will forgive them for Jesus' sake, that He will send His Spirit upon them convincing them of sin, then of righteousness through Jesus Christ, His Son, that He will reveal Jesus to them as their personal Saviour, that He will cleanse them from sin and then fill them with the Spirit so that they shall witness for Jesus in their own homes. Each week here in the city 59 Moslem women and 86 Coptic women hear of Jesus and His love i. e. they take lessons regularly but many others drop in to hear too. They see us coming and shout "the bringers of good news are here. Come and listen," and soon a group of women squat on the floor in front of us, first to listen and then to pour out their troubles in our ears. Perhaps the husband drinks or is cruel to his wife, or perhaps he wants to divorce her and take another, or perhaps the children kick the mother if they don't get what they want, or perhaps they have a little girl whom they wish to send to our school, or perhaps the poor woman has had fifteen children and all have died, or perhaps she has had none and wants some, or it may be the mother-in-law who is cranky or the neighbors who won't speak, or a thousand other things.

On Fridays we go regularly to other towns by train, thus giving the women of these places an opportunity to hear.

Once a month we have a meeting in our school chapel for the pupils of the Bible women. We teach them Psalms, verses, and a Bible story. Recently we have added a new feature to our program—that of giving a few hints on the care of children for the child mortality rate is appalling. If all that are born lived, the desert would have to be reclaimed to support them. As the Egyptian thinks of this situation he exclaims in the face of death "What Alla hath willed!"

Another group meets here each month. Originally they were the girl graduates of our various American Mission Schools but since others wanted to join our group and some want to bring their friends it is a sort of Y. W. C. A. After the Bible lesson we have music, play games, or visit.

It is a great life and most challenging!

Sincerely yours,

LAURA B. WRIGHT

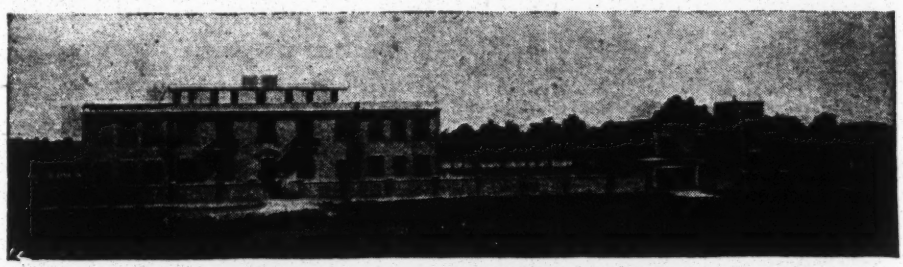
GIRLS' SCHOOL

The Fayoum is still my abiding place, or rather the New Fayoum is. When we first came out to our new compound here, we were surrounded by fields, and our nearest neighbors were across the railroad. Now there are a dozen houses on our side of the railroad, and new buildings are going up near us all the time. The main street of this new part of town is being called by some "The Street of the American School," and we think perhaps that name will stick, even after we have become incorporated. We are still outside of the city limits.

I wish you could see how nicely

situated we are. Our missionary guests think we have an ideal rest-house, because of the quiet there is here at night and at times during the day. We are very fortunate indeed to have the location, building, and everything that the Women's Board and the New World Movement have heaped upon us.

The school has about the same number of girls it had last year. As the new houses go up, the people are beginning to feel that we are not so far out of town after all. In another year it ought not to be so hard to get our full quota of girls.



THE N. W. M. AT ITS LOWEST LEVEL
The Residence, Girls' School and Community in the Faiyum, Egypt
Courtesy of Board of Foreign Missions

We have music in the school this year, taught by a girl who received much of her training from the Pressly Memorial Institute in Assiut. We are thankful for her spirit: she is teaching for us without any renumeration. She has no advanced pupils, so really gets along very nicely. Next year, however, we will be compelled to have a piano teacher with more experience, and we are wondering where to secure such a one. The Fayoum will not furnish her and it is hard to get teachers to come over here to the Fayoum. They consider it so far out of the world.

The Government Girl' school in the town has started a kindergarten this year, so we are not now the only school in town that has one. Ours is not purely a kindergarten. The little girls are learning to read and write in Arabic and English and to count, besides having their games and busy work. We have the regulation tables and chairs for them and quite a few kindergarten supplies.

Our Sabbath School, which meets on Sabbath afternoons, has been quite well attended, although we have not yet succeeded in getting all of our girls out. They all, however, get their chapel talks and Bible lessons five days a week. Not many girls from wealthy homes attend our school; those seem to prefer the Catholic School. But we are getting the kind of girls we want, those who will have to do their share of the work in their households when they leave school, and not just be idlers, sitting at home. English speaking in our school, which has not been all it should be, is being stressed this year.

The teaching force we have, numbers nine. Four of the nine have come to us this year. That and the fact that we have no head teacher, as formerly, made some readjustments at the beginning of this school year very necessary. Things are now moving much more smoothly;

may they continue to do so for my successor next year.

We started a little school over in our church building this year for the small children whose parents thought the distance to our new building was too great. At present writing we have two teachers and thirty pupils there. There is every prospect that this school will continue to grow.

DORA E. GIFFEN

EVANGELISTIC WORK ASSIUT

In looking back upon the year 1925 my predominating feeling is gratitude. Jean Ingelow says "Gratitude is the grace we say to God," and I have "said grace" in that fashion over many things. In my last report I wrote about an evangelistic work carried on in the south by the generosity of Egyptian friends, chiefly Assiut ladies, and of the pleasure of being associated with them in that effort. It has been great joy to have strength enough to visit some of the centres and to know that footholds are being secured in hitherto unbroken ground. I always return from such village visits so refreshed in soul that I imagine at the time that even my body has not only adjusted itself wonderfully to unusual demands but has actually been benefitted by the change. When it dares to contradict me and refuses to give me *carte blanche* for as much of such work as I wish I feel rather ill-used.

The conferences held at Abnoub, Birba, Deir Moas and Hoor were other high water marks in the year. They each brought the privilege of three or four days spent in a pastor's home, bringing a closer intimacy with their problems and increasing one's admiration and affection for them. These occasions were greatly valued also by the Bible-women and other Egyptian workers who were with us. We were all able to work at house visitation during part of the day, scattering our forces to reach as many as possible according to the number of women ready to volunteer as guides. We always came back to each other enthusiastic and with many new things to pray about. We are rather anxious to experiment some time on having such conferences for women only. I think they might have great results.

Two other happy experiences were the opportunity to share in the work of a conference for Moslem converts of all missions conducted by the Egypt General Mission, and later in a summer school at Tanta in the Community Centre for some of our own Bible-women under Miss M. Finney's leadership. Both experiences were very interesting and full of encouragement and yet suggestive of great needs that we all longed to meet more adequately. I think we who helped gained as much as those we tried to aid.

In Assiut we are rejoicing in the resuscitation and enlargement of the W. M. S., a society which had become merely a society of givers who met once a year with the other societies in the Presbyterial Thank-Offering meeting, but for the rest of the year were content with merely paying their subscriptions at the call of their treasurer.

The society now gathers once a month and has really good and stirring programs at its meetings. Mrs. A. A. Thompson and Mrs. Hoyman

have had a leading part in getting it organized in such a way as to draw out as much as possible the unused talent of the women of the Church. The Girls' Club referred to last year also contributes frequently to the program. We want them to feel that the Church needs them and that they owe it for Christ's sake, all that they can give.

Some of the most interesting items at our meetings have been accounts of work in the villages round Assiut. One was by Mrs. A. A. Thompson and others by young women whom Rev. A. A. Thompson has taken out with him in his car on Sabbath days to help in the work of evangelizing. Many of these places, being distant from the railways and otherwise difficult to get at have hitherto missed the light that has penetrated elsewhere, but the Ford now makes them easy of access.

The annual Thank-Offering at Assuit now overtops the $1000 that once seemed far beyond hope. There is certainly a steady if quiet growth in missionary interest amongst Christ's true followers. This great fact, along with the securing of new workers for women of a type once quite unavailable, and the development of others towards the ideal we all hold before us,—these also are amongst the things for which I have "said grace" during 1925.

RENA L. HOGG

LUXOR GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL

Our school has been blessed during the past year, and we are truly grateful to God for an opportunity to work quietly, steadily and happily with no interruptions for sickness or other difficulties. We have had over 300 girls in school, about 60 of whom have been boarders. 96% of our girls passed the final examinations of the year as set by the Mission. Both teachers and girls as a rule worked hard.

Sixteen of our girls are members in our Church, though none have joined during 1925. We have continued the village preaching during the year on Sabbaths and the girls and teachers have been much interested. Two week ends we were able to go to farther villages with some older girls, spending the week end on the "Witness." We had good meetings and the girls did good work in both places.

We graduated two girls in May. That made just 100 graduates of the school, and the hundredth was a daughter of the first. She is at home helping her mother, and has helped us when teachers have been sick. The other is the first graduate of any of our schools in Egypt to take up nursing as a profession. As yet that is not considered an honorable thing for a girl to do in this land, and she has had to persist against a great deal of opposition from her people. She feels a real call to serve her countrywomen in that way, and aspires to be the leader in that work here. She is doing splendid work in our hospital at Assiut. The head of the nursing staff there is much pleased with her work, her spirit, and the way she is able to make opportunities to present the Gospel to her patients in a way acceptable to them. Her example has already inspired three others of our girls to wish to do the same work.

One of our undergraduates worked as a helper in the hospital last summer vacation very acceptably, and two did splendid work as Bible Women. One of them who was working under an Egyptian pastor spent two weeks or so with a family in a neighboring village and later the pastor received seven of them into the church. Needless to say, Rifga was most happy. One other girl left school during the year to take up Bible work, and is doing good work in Esna. About forty of our graduates and former students are now at work as Bible women or teachers or nurses, scattered all through Egypt. If we sometimes get tired or discouraged in our work with the children now with us, it needs only a thought of these in their work to inspire us to go on. Surely there is no greater opportunity in this land than is ours right in Luxor Girls' Boarding School.

IDA WHITESIDE

EVANGELISTIC WORK, LUXOR

Last year we reported not one Bible woman working south of Luxor. We are glad to report that the young worker who was in training here in Luxor began work in Esna in May. From there she goes by donkey to another village, each week. During the summer one of the Girls' Boarding School teachers and two of the girls each spent two months in evangelistic work, one in Luxor and two in other towns.

This year we have requests from two more girls to go out. Indeed we do praise God for answered prayer, in this special request for workers. One of the boarders has expressed herself as hoping to take up this work this coming summer after graduation and three others have come asking for work. True these others

Evangelistic Workers of Luxor with Miss Laura B. Walker

are not trained but all read well and would not be sent out to out stations before having practical experience here under direct supervision. These are in addition to the girl in school and one helper now in training. Another very definite answer to prayer is that two of our workers united with the church recently.

Two of the conferences planned for, have been held and one is to come off next week. It was convenient to bring most of the workers to the Luxor Conference where we have places to keep them. Many experienced real blessings.

The pupil mentioned in our last report as having confessed Christ continues to grow in grace and simply surprises us in her spiritual growth and yet we need not marvel at the power of the Holy Spirit. He is able to give her victory in all

things and He does. Just these past days, the son, home from a big Government School, asked who gave her "all these books" and forbade our coming again. Another Moslem woman who has confessed her faith is coming to do washing in one of our homes. She has been taught ironing and can mend after a fashion. Once while ironing, we were talking about her son not having work, we told her just to commit this to God in prayer. She looked up confidently, saying, "Of course, didn't He say, 'Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you?"

The special teacher, for the school for the blind, Miss Matilda, began work here in our home at the beginning of this term. At present, we have three totally blind girls, two each who have one eye, and one of our Cairo Orphanage girls who hopes to take up this special work. One of the pupils is our Blind Bible teacher of Akhmeem, who knows the Moon type but has come to study the "Braille" as well, one is a Moslem from Karnak, the other blind girl is a Copt and one little girl walks about a mile and a half from a village. Getting this work started in this Upper Country is a story in itself.

This report would not be complete without mentioning the work of my associate, Miss Jane C. Smith who has been with us the past year and a half. To say that "All Luxor was sad" because she has been sent to another station is not exaggeration. Since this last September more Moslem women were coming here to get treatment either for themselves or babies than I have ever seen. These were all followed up personally by Miss Smith and a Bible woman, as

Jane C. Smith and Laura B. Walker with three Muslim pupils who are "hearers." We have reason to believe the one to Miss Smith's left is a believer.

well as her direct message with them in the clinic and prayer before giving any treatment. It seemed an ideal arrangement for our Work among Women and Girls, for when one constantly meets pupils suffering such as most of our pupils are, from various maladies and not be able to help, how can we expect the best results? One of our little ragged Sabbath School girls expressed the thought of many needy women and girls when she heard Miss Smith was to close the clinic, when she said O, so earnestly, "And who will swab my eyes?"

LAURA B. WALKER

CLINIC

In looking through my diary, I find that it is just a year since I wrote my last report to you. It hardly seems that it is time for another one but the days move on rather rapidly and it makes me realize that

I should be very careful to make each day count to the utmost for the Master's service which is so important and then again I feel very unworthy to have such responsibility.

February, March and April were my busy time last year in the Clinic in Luxor and many came to me to be helped. Sometimes it was the eyes which needed to be treated and then again it was some other ailment. Often I was able to encourage them to go the Government doctor which they were very loath to do. There were the mothers who knew very little about the care of their babies and many times just a dose of the good old remedy, castor oil, helped. It is hard to make them realize that some water will do the little ones no harm even when they are ill. To all of them who came, I tried to tell something of the story of our Saviour's love, even in my feeble use of the Arabic.

Most of May was spent in the Tanta Hospital, being treated for *sinusitis* and losing my tonsils for which I was very thankful after it was all over. During convalescence I visited Tanta and Mansura where I saw much of the work and visited with the missionaries in the Egyptian homes. July was spent at the seashore near Alexandria where I took an Arabic examination, attended the summer meeting of Association, kept house for the young ladies for two weeks and helped in the auditing of the General Treasurer's books. Aside from that, I found time to bathe in the Mediterranean and play some tennis. The fellowship of being with the other missionaries is a great help and inspiration.

In August I went to Assuit for the Summer School for Egyptian teachers. The lady teachers would not go to attend meetings with the men unless one of the missionaries went along, so I was glad to help and we had a very fine time. There were seven of the lady teachers and nearly fifty of the men teachers from all over Egypt. They had lessons in Bible which were very helpful. They had lectures in methods very similar to our Teacher's Institutes which are conducted at home. I think it was of great benefit and they are hoping that there will be greater interest manifested this year.

Because of lack of funds, my appointment was changed to help in the Bible work with Miss Walker after July. But so many women came to the house that I had a little clinic for them three days each week and then on the other days I went out with the different Bible Women in the town of Luxor. I enjoyed that very much but in almost every home there was some one who needed treatment for the eye or some other ailment. I wish that I could tell you about all the different homes into which we went but that would be impossible. I do think of one though, in which the mother was feeding the fire to heat the oven for the bread. It was just an open court-yard with a mud wall about it, perhaps five feet high. The oven was also built of mud in one corner. There were two small rooms at the side made of mud and a roof of palm withs. These are used for sleeping and to store things. But the children, as well as the animals occupy this court most of the time.

Once an old hen came up and stole the crust of bread which the baby was enjoying while sitting on the ground. I was able to rescue it from the hen and thus restore peace so that the Bible woman could continue her story. In this home the mother looks for the Bible woman from week to week and she usually knows the story.

It will be a long time ere the Egyptian peasant changes his mode of living but they do need your prayers that they may be able to accept the Love of Christ in their hearts.

Yours, in the Master's service,

JANE C. SMITH

PREPARATION

Reports from the new missionaries who are engaged in language study in Cairo

Six months in Egypt—how quickly the time has gone by and we have seen so much and done so much that it seems a long time after all.

The first month was spent in Beni-Suef with Miss Noordewier and how I did enjoy getting acquainted with the work there! The school children were an unfailing source of interest and their love for the school would shame many an American child who feels abused because he must go to school. These children appreciate the privilege they have in attending, because so many never have the opportunity.

The visits in the homes of the people with Miss Noordewier and the Bible women, the meetings for the native women and the church services were proof enough that missions were worth while. How eagerly the people received the words of truth and life, for without Christ their lives are dark indeed in this land whose God it *not* the Lord.

The people were most cordial and much interested in the foreigner who couldn't speak Arabic and it surely gave an incentive to learn the language when I saw their need and was unable to speak to them of the Saviour.

Since November first, we have been busy in the language school struggling with Arabic, but we are trusting in His strength to overcome the difficulties and pray that He will use us in the work of the Kingdom here.

Each Sabbath we have been visiting the different Churches and Sabbath-schools in Cairo and will be glad when the time comes that we can take our part in the work, that Egypt may come to know the Lord.

RACHEL TRACY SEIVER

I wish I could write as interesting a letter as this past year has been full of interest. Of course there have been discouraging days but the prayers of all our dear interested friends have been heard and we have been blessed and encouraged and have gone on being made strong through Christ, who strengtheneth us. Last spring we had lovely weather but it was quite hot in May and June. Instead of going to Sidi Bishr for the summer I went to the Holy Land. Oh, it was fine to go to the many places of interest in and about Jerusalem, Bethlehem, the Jordan River, the Dead Sea, Elisha's Fountain, Bethany, The Garden of Gethsemane the Mount of Olives! We went up to Nazereth and the Sea of Galilee and then on to Damascus and Baalkek and then spent a quiet

month at Souk el Gharb, a little mountain town in the Lebanon mountains near Beirut. What a privilege it was to see the land where Christ lived. I stopped to see Alexandria and Sidi Bishr and then returned to Cairo to resume Arabic study the first of September. With the exception of the interruption of an examination in October, we have been constantly plugging away at learning Arabic.

We, who were to be appointed by Association to definite work after our fourth examination next October, were anxious to get to Assiut to Association meeting in January. I was appointed to be with Miss Laura Walker in Luxor. The work will be with the Bible women in visiting homes, thus in direct contact with Egyptian homes and mothers. I have been teaching a Sabbath School class in Arabic since September and I do enjoy working with my girls out at Fowler Orphanage. I also have an English History class with some of the girls once a week and several hours of visiting and conversation and singing with the girls and the teachers, there. Oh how these folks have worked into my heart and have helped make me happy here! How I long to be of any help possible to them and to other girls and women of this sunny land of Egypt.

I just had a most pleasant surprise. Mrs. Dunlap from McKeesport of the Christian Herald party came over to see me. She is the mother of Betty Dunlap who graduated in my class from college. We had such a good chat! Oh how good it is to see and talk with someone from home!

ELIZABETH S. WHITE

Another year has rolled around very quickly. There are still a lot of new things to us second year folks, so in many ways the time has fairly flown. Last year I told you of some of my first memory pictures here in this story land. It is now no less a land of pictures, but we are meeting them with more understanding eyes. Many of the sounds which last year meant nothing, now gladden or sadden us, for we have come to know their meaning. Now we catch phrases from the chanting of the woman on the stairs near our front gate. She sits begging all day long, piously reciting passages from the Koran, but most of it is still far too strange to us. Her blind eyes are a sort of a parable of the darkness within. The tiny crying baby she held on her lap during the hot days last fall now seems very healthy. We wonder at the resistance of these people to filth and exposure.

But the stairs are only the beginning of our days as we cross them on our way to the S. O. S. Officially the initials mean School of Oriental Studies, and to it come missionary students from the ends of the Moslem world, South Africa, Arabia, India. These far ones come for just a few weeks of study in Koran and Islamics and pass on. But the Mission started this as a first aid station for struggling language students. At times we are sure our knowledge barque is floundering. Then S. O. S. means "Help!" There should be at least two other teachers in this group. At present my teacher for the daily private hour is one of the several Moslem members of the staff. He has known Americans for fifteen years

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and kept in touch with Christian teaching. He seems not opposed to reading the Gospels and willing to talk too, sometimes opening discussion himself. Sometimes this is to my embarrasment, if I have lost the meaning in the attempt to pronounce new Arabic words. But I keep my Testament by me and hope I may do my part in giving him the truths of Life. Mr. Jeffry of the University staff and Rev. Elder of the Mission are our constant helpers. Also we have lectures by such men as Dr. McClenahan and Dr. Zewemer on the problems and faith of Islam. There in the school we spend our mornings and some of our afternoons. At night suggestions for further study keep us occupied.

SOME OF THE BOYS FROM KHRUMFISH DAY SCHOOL

Last fall each of us was asked to go on Sabbath to some certain meeting place. During the week we have some little part in the work of the school that gathers there. I often write on the slates of the smaller ones or try to teach them a song in English. Their letters are queer and the song you might not recognize. But the chief thing I do it is to win their confidence. That works. They are just as ready to answer to love as American children. They think that in a picture they should be very proper, but in spite of that you can see in these faces the joy brought by gift books from America. They often beg to take us home with them, but our chief business now is study, not visiting, so I do not undertake much of that. Mrs. Acheson and the Bible woman, Sitt Selma, do that part. These children and many others are being won and in His time Egypt shall drink with joy from salvation's wells.

MARGARET A. WORK

It is nearly five months since our steamer docked at Alexandria. What have those months meant to us or to those about us? Perhaps we ourselves do not fully know. As I have taken a retospective glance over those weeks, I have been wondering if we might not say that we have been seeing, hearing and endeavoring to know—I refrain from using the word knowing.

We have been seeing Egypt—not that the country is new to all of us for it has been my great joy to come back to a land in which I spent three years as a teacher. What then do I mean when I say that we have been seeing Egypt? From the standpoint of antiquity, Egypt has many points of interest, but I do not refer to these. The Egypt to which I was so anxious to return was not her dead past, but her living present—the twelve million and more people in the Delta and along the Nile.

On the streets and in the shops, we have been seeing Egypt as we have gone to and from the study center five days a week. We have been seeing it as we have gone about with others to various churches and street Sabbath Schools where the children eagerly gather to see and hear what the missionary has to tell them. We have been seeing Egypt as we have met the Egyptian teachers or ministers and their wives, or as we have attended a missionary meeting in some village.

But what have we been seeing? We have been seeing a need. In the lives of many of our Egyptian friends, we have seen a need fulfilled. There are many who know Jesus as their all sufficient help. But what of those who are not reached by the church—those with whom the missionary can not come in contact? These are the ones whom we have been seeing as the great panorama of life has stretched out before us.

As students of the language, we have been hearing strange sounds—gutterals, nasals, sounds made by the breath and sounds from the depths. We have listened to those about us that we might better grasp this difficult language. But we have heard more than mere sounds. We have heard of needy sections for which there are no workers. As we have gone about with those who have had more experience than we, we have sought to know conditions as they exist, we have endeavored to learn how best Christ's work may be carried on.

We do ask that you will pray for us, that our eyes may be opened so that as we strive to learn the language, we may still keep before us our real motive for being here. We long to have a hearing ear that will better fit us for our work. But we are especially anxious that our ear be attuned to the Master's call as He leads and directs us. Even though we feel that we need your prayers, there are many about us who need them even more. We know that by your prayers you are anxious to help these people to see Jesus, and to hear Him as He knocks at the individual heart. We long that all may come to know Jesus Christ whom to know aright, is life eternal.

ALTA G. FRENCH

This surely has been a year of lights and shadows, and the last few days the shadows have seemed to almost shut out the light. But you know as well as we do, the friends we have lost through death and sickness we have, in being able to talk friends we have made and the happiness we have in being able to talk to the people and to tell them about Christ even though the effort is weak and stumbling.

A year ago I thought I never would be able to have any love for the poor ragged street youngsters but since I have been teaching a Sabbath School class of girls at Adawieh I find they are as lovable as American children and appreciative of anything we do for them. I have been visiting in some of their homes and usually sit toung-tied most of the time because I cannot keep up with their swift tongues, but I believe they like to have me visit them.

Two more Arabic examinations stand between me and the goal. The goal happens to be Luxor, in the Girls' Boarding School with Miss Whiteside. At least it is that until summer meeting of Association. After that, who knows?

This week is to be a busy one with the Christian Herald party in, bringing us Dr. Clark, Dr. Sheldon, Dr. DuBois and others. And the Educational Conference is being held at Heliopolis on Friday and Saturday.

VENNA R. PATTERSON

Another year has gone! Looking backward we recall many happy experiences, new found friends and the wonderful guidance of the Master, realizing more fully His promise—

Wherefore go gladly to the task assigned thee,
Having my promise, needing nothing more
Than just to know where'er the future find thee
In all thy journeying, I go before.

Our work in the language school does not permit a great deal of time for other things. Each Sabbath I teach a class of little children in the Faggla Church of Cairo. We have a very happy hour as we sing and pray and tell Bible stories and draw pictures to help us understand the lesson better.

After church service I have been going with the Bible woman to a street Sabbath School. We go down the street calling the children and soon they come running from all directions. We often have a hundred children or more. We meet in a little court. The little girls sit on the floor around my chair and we talk about Jesus and His love. It is surely a wonderful privilege to be used of Him to lead little children in the Heavenly Way.

We, who have recently received our appointments are looking forward to our work next fall, and you can just guess how happy I am to think of the Mary Clokey Memorial Kindergarten of Tanta as my little corner with the little ones of Egypt.

Sincerely,

RUTH M. WILLIAMSON

Life is very interesting here in far away Egypt. Hardly a day passes but that one sees something quite new and different, until ones ideas of the ordinary or extraordinary in

custom or costume become almost revolutionized. For here the many nationalities do not submit to such assimilation with the general mass of humanity as is found in America, but to a very marked degree retain their distinctive characteristics. Egypt could hardly be called a melting pot of the nations. I have been especially impressed with the amount of outward display that one sees. No social event but has to have its accompaniment of fantastic and often expensive decorations. In our neighborhood here in Bulac it is not uncommon to witness wedding, funeral, or religious processions with their accompaniments of brass bands, joy crys or wailings, all on the same day. And all of this is but an outward manifestation of the inward striving of the individual heart for that peace and satisfaction which we know only Christ can give. It is not indicative of the quietness and confidence of heart wherein lies true godly strength . And yet I have with joy observed that many do appreciate real values, and are realizing that in our Book of books are to be found words such as "never man spake."

Among the valuable courses we are pursuing at the study center, is the course in Islamics under Dr. Zwemer. From his wide experience among Mohammedans he is giving us a real insight into their lives, ideals and problems. At present we are getting from him some very practical lectures on how to work among Mohammedans, and truly after an hour spent in facing the realities of our task and the importance of it, we go forth much strengthened with our desire to give ourselves wholly to our God given task. We covet the prayers of you in the homeland that we too, like our Divine Master, may ever seek to be consumed in love's labors.

Sincerely,

GUDRUN C. ESTVAD

It seems but a short time ago since we landed in Alexandria September 19, 1925 yet much has happened. My first six weeks were spent in Mansura where I stayed with Miss Frances Patton. I am so thankful for those six weeks when I had a chance to see the village work and visit in the native homes and mission schools. I went with Rev. Work visiting schools in the Tanta and Mansura districts, with Mrs. Work to women's meeting, with Miss Patton into the homes of her school girls, with the Bible woman to the homes out in the native village. Then I spent a week on the boat with the Works when they went down to Damietta. One week on the Nile and what an interesting week it was, drifting with the current or being towed by the men on shore with ropes from the boat! Many were the interesting sights we saw as we passed by the fields and mud villages. During this time I saw enough of the great need of these people for the Saviour and the difference it make in their lives when they know the Christ, to make me want to go right to work.

We came to Cairo the last of October and started work at the Study Center the first of November. Do I find Arabic difficult? I sometimes wonder if I will ever get it so I can speak it easily. We have classes

every morning except Saturday and Sabbath from 8:00 to 12:00 and two afternoons a week. Our first examination comes in March. It is not easy but it is interesting.

The first of January we went to Assiut for Winter Association. It was a lovely trip and we learned many interesting and helpful things about our work in Egypt. Then too, we got to meet all the missionaries and can now associate names with faces and folks with places when we hear them spoken of.

We have a lovely home here in the Boulak House and are a happy family. We new folks are all settled now. The last of our freight arrived in December. With very few exceptions it came through in good condition. We were glad to get settled. Our hearts have been saddened by the death of our house mother, Mrs. Finney and we miss her very much but she was happy to go and we would not wish her back.

On Sabbath mornings we attend an Arabic service. We have been trying to visit all the different places of meeting here in Cairo. We do not understand much that is said but we get more each week and we have the opportunity of coming in contact with the native people which we do not have in any other way our first year.

Starting four weeks ago I have been going on Wednesday afternoon of each week with Mrs. Coventry out to Hilwan where she makes calls in the homes and holds a meeting. The meetings are held in a native Christian home and as they have no church here it is their only opportunity to hear the word of God preached. A Bible woman goes out too, and a young man from Theological Seminary here in Cairo who preaches the sermon. I appreciate this opportunity and the chance to use my Arabic.

We are praying that we may be used in His Service here and for the advancement of the Kingdom in this dark land and it helps us to know that the people at home are praying for this, too.

MARIE F. TAIT

THE YEAR IN THE SUDAN

REPORT OF BIBLE WOMEN'S WORK WADI HALFA

IF the report of the Women's work in Halfa is to be a record of results the story is soon told. We have been here three months, we have four pupils, two Moslems and two Copts. In all probability we will lose one of the Moslems if we have not already. She has been married and has gone to live with her husband's people. Her thoughts for the next few months will be occupied with matters pertaining to the adjusting of herself to her new life.

But this is obviously not a story of results but of beginnings, of hopes and plans for the future. Being one of the commercial gateways to the Sudan, makes much of Halfa's population transitory and of varied nationality. The people are Egyptian, Sudanese, Berber, Syrian, Greek

and British government officials. The church membership is not over fifteen persons. There is no pastor but two Egyptian government officials take turns giving the sermon once each Sabbath, in the school house.

New and strange indeed was the thought of Bible work among the women in the homes, both to Protestant and Copt alike, very few of whom can read. Of these few who read, still fewer have any desire or feel any need to read the Bible. And to all alike the thought of taking the message to their Moslem neighbors is an absurd impossibility.

Our first encouragement came from a Coptic woman who wanted lessons. She said "It isn't so important for me to learn to write but if I could read, I could read the Bible after I finish my housework instead of just *sitting*."

Our next one came this week from a young girl whose father and mother are members of the Protestant church. She said "Father said maybe Miss Mary would teach Mother and me to read. Mother is really very bright. She remembers everything she hears. She heard you read the Bible at a mourning this morning and she came home and told everything you read." This woman is the mother of eight, this girl, the eldest perhaps fifteen years of age and the youngest less than nine months.

This girl is one of a group of girls ranging from twelve to eighteen years whom we hope to gather into a little meeting at our home for one of the Psalm singing contests which Mrs. McMunn sends out. We do not know how successful this will be as there will be Moslems, Christians and Catholics, those who can read and those who cannot read, but we hope and pray great things for it.

But how to establish a real contact with the black Moslem women some of whose girls we have in the school, we have not found a way. They are the poorest class. They are very friendly and seem to appreciate our interest in calling in their homes. But always we meet the response "I learn to read? Why I'm too old to learn. I'm married." So we are waiting for an opening.

The Berber homes seem the hardest to enter. The women are shy of foreigners. Their language is different and while they understand Arabic and use a mixture of Berber, Arabic and English yet they are diffident about talking to us. A Berber man in whose home we visited said "If you will come again they will not be afraid but they are afraid you will laugh at them because they do not speak Arabic well." We hope to be able to pick up enough Berber to understand and to be understood and thereby gain their confidence.

But as we said at first the whole of the work so far has largely been finding points of contact and attempting to make friends from among all the different classes of people that we have met.

MARY E. COIE

REPORT OF THE WILLIAM LITTLE SCHOOL AT WADI HALFA

We are beginning our fourth month of school since coming here. The present enrollment numbers one hundred, of whom about seventy percent are Moslems. In comparing

with last year's report of similar date we find an enrollment of sixty-eight of whom thirty-four percent are Moslems. The remaining thirty percent of the present enrollment is made up of Copts, Evangelical Christians and a few Syrian Catholics.

There are not so many Sudanese in this school as we would like to see. The greater number by far are Egyptians. However we are somewhat encouraged to report seventeen of the one hundred, Sudanese, as compared with one in the preceding year.

We are glad to report that we have our first Berber girl enrolled. There has never been a Berber in school here and we hope that this may be an opening into their homes and lives. The Berbers are the native Arab tribe of Halfa province. They are fanatical Moslems and not very open to education and have been suspicious.

The number of girls paying fees, varies from time to time as the girls are not all regular in attendance. I have however taken an average of the tuitions received during these past six months and find that the average is $39.75 per month. The current running expenses per month of the school are as follows:

Three teachers salaries	$75.00
School servant	5.50
Water Carrier	1.50
Sanitary fees (school and house)	5.18
	$87.18

You will notice that I have included the sanitary fees of the house in with the school this year. As you know since it was not decided in time that we were to live in Halfa there was no provision made for this in this year's estimate. These latter have increased a little since the first of the year owing to new government regulations.

Of course there are a few other items in the course of a year such as repairs, school supplies etc. but they do not come in each month. Practically all of our pupils pay for their own books. Even the ones who are too poor to pay tuition manage to get their books paid for in the course of the year.

Of the total number (113) of pupils who have been enrolled at some time or other during these six months 101 have been paying pupils. Of course you will understand that not all of this total number were enrolled in any one month. The largest number at one time was 100.

It has been interesting to me as well as enlightening to look over the records of previous years and find that from one third to one half of the pupils enrolled were boys. I informed them that with the beginning of a new year I would not take any boys but that it was to be a school exclusively for girls and they might plan accordingly. Our present capacity is limited to 150, I should say that I propose to have it full of girls rather than boys. I realize how it may affect the tuitions in some cases for parents are always more willing to pay for a boy's education than for a girl's but I believe that can be overcome in time.

The population of Halfa is very changeable and this makes the school work harder. I hope to be able to get the Sudanese to realize that we

are here to help them and that we really do care for them. This will take time.

UNA COIE

NASSER, SUDAN

This year at Nasser has passed quickly. Language work has claimed two hours a day for five days a week. The Nuer language does not seem nearly such a foreign language as it did a year ago. We are unearthing new words and idioms all the time and are just finding how very much we do not know about this language.

Have also been teaching one boy English. This lesson serves as a Nuer lesson to me in many ways. We hope some day that several of the more advanced boys may be able to help us better in translation if they know something of English. This boy has just finished his primer and is quite proud of his first reader.

Clinic work has claimed its share of the day from 9 a. m. on until we are through and attendance has been averaging a little better than last year.

Have taught a Sabbath School class all year and have had several meetings for the girls outside of the regular class meeting. Have had six Sabbath afternoon meetings out under a large tree one and one half miles from here, with two native Christians for helpers.

Have been well all this year and have missed no work at all from sickness or any other cause. Part of the time have had Fridays off in order to catch up with the incessant mending process that seems to demand a certain amount of attention.

Am spending three hours a week now correcting the Nuer stories that I have written with the help of six of the school boys who are most advanced. I expect to get them all corrected before I go on summer vacation.

While the above will give you some idea of how I have been spending my time the past year, it does not give you much idea of where my interest has been, or of the many things here that I wish I could show you.

So while you may call the foregoing my "annual letter," I am going to take the time to tell you a few things that make life interesting here and that account for the time passing so quickly.

Language is the most fascinating thing here in many ways. I did not realize how very fond I was of talking until I found a big mountain between me and the power to make people understand my talk and so this business of climbing this language mountain has been an absorbing one. And while I realize how very far from the top I am, yet it is such a relief when the Nuers do not look off into space all the time when I am talking.

First of all, I think that I should show you my Sabbath School girls. I have nineteen, eight of whom are Christians. Four of them have been baptized this year. These girls of mine were telling me Sabbath that they go out to ask children to come to Sabbath school and they are cursed and ridiculed and some ask them if they will give money if they will come. But they go the next week and ask them again! I just love every last one of them and do you wonder?

One of these girls works for me and she is a continual surprise. If she does her work badly, then I tell her all about it and she does it over and then sits out on the porch working at my fish net and sings a song I translated (part of Psalm 15). One day I sent her home from the clinic to mop my room and she assured me she knew where the mop rag was, as she certainly ought to, I let her go without the usual misgivings. When I returned at noon, I found the mop rag dry, floor still wet and my washcloth dirty, wet and full of holes! But I just thought what a time she had mopping this big room with a small wash rag! Nothing tame about life here with Nabat in it.

My first love here was Nakon. S' is a great big girl, a splendid physical specimen who was my langauge teacher for awhile. I could not talk to her last year and ask her why she did not accept Christ for she had been hearing His Word for some years so I just started in to pray for her. When we returned from vacation last year, of course one of the first things we wanted to know was who were in the inquirers class and Mr. Smith named them over and he told us that one was a surprise for he had not asked her at all and while she had been coming to services, she came to the inquirers class upon the general invitation only. And is was Nakon! It does make one feel good to know that God does not wait until you know the language to use one here.

The mother of a tiny baby took cold when the little one was three days old, and died when she was eleven days old. An uncle was the only relative here and he did not know what to do, so Mrs. Adair and I took the baby and cared for her but she had lost so much while her mother was sick that she died after having been in our home eleven days. She weighed just four pounds but she left a big void in our house. She was buried out here by her mother.

Pneumonia is my biggest dread here. The Nuers think that if they take medicine, it drives the disease all over their body instead of leaving it in just one place and they go to their villages and to their medicine men when they realize they have pneumonia.

There are many, many kinds of work here that need to be done. I feel that I have accomplished very little this year but clinic work, language work and my Sabbath School class have demanded a good deal of time and the prayer letters are the only other thing that I have tried to keep up.

RAY HUFFMAN, R. N.

REPORT OF WORK AMONG WOMEN IN OMDURMAN, SUDAN—1925

At the meeting of the Sudan Association in 1925, the following motion was passed: "That the Association elect a committee of five members to formulate a definite policy for the conduct of Bible Women's Work and for the training of teachers for Bible Women's Work." The consideration of this subject has led us to a review of the work of the past five years and to planning how to do this work most effectively for the coming year.

OUR AIM—Our aim from the first has been the evangelization of the Sudanese women and girls in the homes for whom there was no other opportunity and to cull out from among these pupils or wherever possible, future leaders and give them special training.

OUR METHODS—To attain this we have used different methods. First we have had to get an entrance into the homes. In Omdurman we have had to utilize every opportunity and make others to get into the homes. We started by making a house to house canvass. In this way we got acquainted with all classes and our first access was into Coptic homes in the Muselma. Through the assistance of these we got in touch with our first Moslem pupils numbering two at the end of 1920. In Abbassia we gained an entrance into the first homes of the Sudanese through a compatriot of Um-Sadeega, who, on hearing of her work invited her to call on his women relatives. These being of some influence the news spread and we soon had a fair sized class there. In the Maurada the opening came through the little school in which the daughter of our Bible woman was teaching. Some of her pupils asked that her mother come and teach their mothers| Um-Sadeega now spends four days a week there. However we no longer need to solict our pupils as more come than we have time to teach. We went to the Orta in March 1924 in response to a repeated request from a former pupil who had lived in the Maurada. She promised to introduce us to her friends in the Orta who were asking for lessons and now through the fewness of workers we are having to refuse requests that come.

The percentage of illiteracy among black Moslem women who have never been out of the Sudan is nearly 100 percent. Their knowledge of the world is of that part surrounded by the four mud walls of their *hosh*. Their knowledge of their own religion varies with their position. The wife of an Azhar shiekh or of a graduate of Moslem Gordon College will have opportunities perhaps that the wife and family of a poor water carrier will not have. Strange to say, even the most ignorant of them seem to be instructed in the arguments by which they think they can refute Christianity, that there is no God but Allah and Mohammed is the apostle of Allah, that God never begat nor was He begotten, that Jesus did not die on the cross but that God sent down someone in His place whom the Jews crucified but God took Christ without death to Heaven. Their knowledge of pure Christianity is nil—but their observation of so-called Christianity in their Coptic neighbors has done more to prejudice them against Christianity than the arguments of their Koran. In consequence of their illiteracy and ignorance a work that has for its end evangelization, must begin very simply. They must be acquainted with the outstanding characters of the Old Testament the fall and entrance of sin into the world, God's hatred and opposition to sin as shown in the various judgments, the flood, Babel, Sodom, the wilderness, etc. All this leads up gradually to the plan of redemption beginning

with Genesis 3:15. Naturally the beginning instruction must be given verbally. With the Bible lesson an Arabic reading lesson is given each time, which though not the goal, is a very important step in the attainment of the real aim, evangelization.

RESULTS—After five years it might seem that we could speak largely of results. But let us consider the situation a little more fully. Our first efforts have been directed toward getting into the Sudanese homes to give instruction in the Bible and reading so that the women might study for themselves. There have been many obstacles to overcome in doing this. In the first place the Sudanese woman of this generation has never had an opportunity and has been taught by husband, father and brothers that her only sphere is slavery, that she has no mind or will. So effectively has this been impressed that she believes it is true and of course religion and custom sanction the idea.

This prejudice has been met and overcome. The woman of the Sudan with her crude implements of cookery, her scanty supplies and surroundings that are usually dirty and unsanitary, with no plan for her work seems to be ever busy in just providing for the simple needs of her household. There is an extremely large class that must work constantly in order to support their children. Added to these difficulties was the suspicion as to the motives that actuated white faced foreigners to come into their homes and give them free instruction. Then there will always be the hatred and opposition of Islam to Christianity.

So we feel that it is a manifest mark of God's blessing on the work and of answered prayer that after five years we have 124 Sudanese Moslem pupils. Among these 23 are now able to read in the Scriptures. Some seven of our present pupils started lessons in 1922, seventeen in 1923, thirteen in 1924 and the rest in 1925. From this it is evident that our roll keeps changing, occasioned sometimes by removals, marriage occassionally, opposition, and a few deaths among our pupils. It will also explain why we are led sometimes to take on new pupils when we do not feel there is time for them. We feel that as the new year of 1926 opens we would like to give more attention to these whom we have been teaching some two, three and four years, hoping that we may find among them some who will make future leaders. From the beginning of this work we have been looking for those who might be leaders but the process of preparation must at best be a long one since *all of our pupils are Moslem.* It would seem that for the immediate present we should be forced to depend largely upon missionaries. But we trust God that the day is not distant when we may have material for a training school for Bible women.

Just at present our need for Bible Women's quarters in Omdurman is very pressing. We rent the best house we can afford but its location is far from satisfactory and on account of the crowded condition other quarters have been rented for Um-Sadeega at some distance from our house. This makes it difficult to

keep in the close touch with her we would like—and would be an impossible arrangement were she a young or unmarried woman. We have been waiting until the completion of the New World Movement as no provision has been made for the work in Omdurman under the five year program but it has been included in the advance program. There are several reasons why we feel justified in asking the Women's Board to provide quarters for the workers among the women missionaries and Bible women in Omdurman: First, the work has been in progress now for more than five years and a comparison of our report December 1920 and that of December 1925 shows an advance from two Moslem pupils to 124, 23 of whom are reading the scriptures and 37 of the former pupils still under instruction. Second we have had to pay out large sums of money to put in repair old native houses and then expend fairly high rent for the same. Third, from the point of economy. The money put in rent and repairs could be put into permanent property that would be productive of more effective work and a means of more comfortable and sanitary living on the part of the workers.

We would not have you think that we are complaining for it has been considered a privilege by those who have been in the work in Omdurman to have been permitted to work in this great needy Moslem city, the largest native Moslem center in Africa and we have felt deeply grateful to the Board and the Mission for the efforts that have been made to find the most comfortable quarters possible with the funds available. We realize that this work was undertaken after the plans for the New World Movement had been completed and that there was no provision for it but the time has now come we think when it is right to make this request since the Mission has approved.

The report for 1925 is as follows:

Pupils on the roll	124
Lessons in Arabic and Bible,	2233
Listeners	1664
Scripture Readers	23

AULORA B. MCINTYRE

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL KHARTUM NORTH

Boarding girls	124
Day girls	117
	241
Copts	96
Moslem	93
Protestant	34
Others	18
	241
Receipts for boarding girls	$1084.10
Receipts from day girls	784.75
Total	$1868.85

Girls' Boarding School
Khartoum North
Courtesy of Board of Foreign Missions

Compared with last year we have decreased in numbers, but this decrease was in day pupils while our

number of boarding girls increased considerably, and the increase would have been much greater had we had the room to accommodate more, for many were turned away who wanted to come. The decrease in the number of day girls can be explained by the removal of the Egyptian army and all of the officials connected with it after the Uprising. Many of these soldiers were located in Khartum North, and their daughters were pupils in our day school.

Kindergarten Group
Courtesy of Board of Foreign Missions

The kindergarten increased this year in numbers until we had sixty little tots, employing three teachers to look after them. It is interesting to go into the homes of many of these tots and hear smaller children singing the kindergarten songs, or hear them answering some of the questions in the little Catechism, as, "Who made you? Who redeemed you?" etc. having been taught these by our little kindergarteners. Parents are getting some of the teaching also. "A little child shall lead them."

The school work has progressed well though we have not yet reached the standard at which we are aiming. The spirit of the teachers on the whole has been good.

Six girls were graduated, bringing our graduates up to seventeen, four of these six are now with us as teachers in the school, the fifth is a teacher with the C. M. S., and the sixth went to Egypt with her father who finished government service in the Sudan and has gone on pension.

We have endeavored to keep first things first and have tried to do our best for our girls in Bible study but here too, results have not been all that we might have wished. We are thankful to say that we have had very little opposition to prayers and Bible study from the Moslems; on the other hand there seems to be an increasing desire on their part to know the Christian religion. During the year six of our girls united with the church.

An "Old Girls' Day" was a new feature this year; all of the old girls with whom we could get in touch who were near enough to attend were invited to the school one afternoon for a time of renewing friendships; sixty girls were present, some of whom we had not seen for years. We were so well pleased that we hope to make this an annual affair.

A search was made among our old records to ascertain the number of girls who have attended our school since its beginning and to get this record into better shape; it was found that since its beginning our school has touched the lives of over 1000 girls for a longer or shorter period of time; many of these are now scattered throughout the Sudan and Egypt.

This year brought us a good portion of sickness again with the infectious diseases and influenza, but there was nothing dangerous and these were easily cared for by Miss

Turk with the help of some of the girls she has trained a bit and who seem to enjoy helping with this work.

The Sabbath School reached its high water mark this year with an attendance one day of 293, most of whom were boys and girls.

Preaching services on Sabbath morning and Tuesday evenings have been fairly well attended, the Sabbath morning services having an average attendance of 144. We wish often that we could double the capacity of the Rose Harden Chapel.

May the Lord continue to work and to bless His work is our prayer.

ELSIE E. GROVE

THE YEAR IN ABYSSINIA

ADDIS ABABA, ABYSSINIA

THE year closing March 31, 1926 has been the first real running year of the George Memorial Hospital in Addis Ababa, for although some work was done previously yet it was in unfinished wards, the sick lying upon iron cots purchased in the market in Addis Ababa. Since putting in the shining white American hospital bed with bedside tables to match, the wards with their long rows of white beds look very attractive and are kept spotlessly clean. There you can see some faces coal black, some brown, some yellow and some almost white. We have had Shankallas as black as night, Gallas and Amharas brown, Arabians yellow, and Greeks, Czecho-Slovakians and in fact many different races with many different ailments.

There is never a hospital without pain. If it were not for pain there would be no hospitals and one of a doctor's chief functions is to relieve pain. But there are certain insidious diseases that are accompanied with but little pain until they have almost run their fatal courses. These are even more dangerous than the diseases which have intense pain, because they give no warning of their approach. Often times it is upon a bed of sickness that the calloused conscience awakens to its great need and begins to cry out for God and to long for Christ's righteousness. Physical pain and sickness are God's messengers to us to bring us back to Him. What is better than a Christian hospital to minister to bodies and souls, alike needy? Surely it is a work that God Himself would approve.

As a Christian physican I have no greater pleasure in life than gathering together a crowd of sick Abyssinians of all ranks, sitting down with them and telling them about Jesus and then taking them into the clinic and seeking to relieve their sickness and pain to wash their sores and apply balm to their wounds. My regret is that I do not do it better, that I make so many mistakes and that my preaching is so cold, but I desire no greater work than this, and I like to feel that you in America are in it as much or more than we missionaries; that it is you who are doing this for the least of these, that you are doing it for Him.

"At even ere the sun was set,
The sick, O Lord, around Thee lay,
O, in what divers pains they met,
O, with what joy they went away.

O, Saviour Christ our woes dispel,
For some are sick, and some are sad,
And some have never loved thee well,
And some have lost the love they had.

O, Saviour Christ, Thou too, art man
Thou hast been troubled, tempted, tried;
Thy kind but searching glance can scan
The very wounds that shame would hide.

Thy touch has still its ancient power
No word from thee can fruitless fall
Hear in this solemn evening hour
And in thy mercy heal us all."

Do you remember in one of Kipling's poems where the sailors come to the Almighty to protest against the verse in Revelation saying "There shall be no more sea" for they wanted the sea with which they had been familiar. When I think of these sick and what a pleasure it is to do for them, one almost feels as the sailors did about the sea. One longs for that country where there is no more death or tears, but at the same time one wonders what one will do when one is not able to do the homely little tasks, for others such as one does here on earth both at home and on the mission fields, but one may be sure that if praise to Him who sitteth on the throne is not sufficient occupation there, that He will provide for His people what they need and when they need it, to serve Him withal.

A little child was operated on in the Hospital. At first he cried for his father but after the operation he was so happy that he cried when the time came for him to go home and after a week the father brought him back and asked us to keep him as he fretted for the hospital so that there was no peace with him at home. How happy we should be if all would feel like that!

Statistics are usually dull things and often of little worth, but still our statistics show a steady growth.

Miss Ewing and Miss Bayne have borne the brunt of the nursing and since Miss Bayne has gone to Gorei, Miss Ewing has had it all. Dr. Wilmoth our chief surgeon left us in June 1925 and Dr. Lambie had no physician to help him until March 1926 when Dr. Nagelsbach arrived from Gorei. Dr. Pollock was expected May 7th when Dr. Lambie was going to America for his furlough a year early.

MEDICAL REPORT OF GEORGE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

From Jan. 1, 1925 to Mar. 31, 1926

Number of In-Patients	539
Number of Clinic Patients	11,520
Number of Hospital Days	9360
Male Patients	445
Female Patients	94
Medical Cases	346
Surgical Cases	193
Recovered	403
Deaths	46
Unimproved	36
Improved	54

T. A. LAMBIE, M. D.

GOREI

I wish I might describe our trip to Addis Ababa, and the meeting of Council. But it is not within my power to do so. No doubt you have had numerous reports already, so anything I should add would not further enlighten you. I may say that

the Hospital is a wonderful place, beautiful for surroundings and well equipped as to facilities for taking care of the sick. The girl's school I visited a few times and I think they are doing a splendid work there. All of their lovely buildings and homes perhaps made me envy them a bit, but I hope we too are able to have results even with our small equipment. We had an uneventful trek both ways, with no accident and no sickness. Had I gone directly from Gorei to Addis Ababa and returned, the entire trip would have cost me less than my vacation allowance. As no one else from Gorei could attend the meeting, it was necessary for me to go to Sayo, and from there travel with the Buchanans and Misses Blair and McKibben.

Just three weeks before I left for Addis Ababa, the Wilsons arrived. They were both very plucky and I think they had an especially hard trip from Gambelia to Gorei. They like Gorei as we meant they should and are very happy in their work. Mr. Wilson is a particularly fine speaker and the natives are responding to his sermons in a wonderful way. Mrs. Wilson is charming and has learned to love and serve among our needy folks. One day she and I gave the first bath to a pair of new born twins, though neither of us had even handled one before.

Viola Bayne returned with me as I am sure you have heard. With the going of Dr. Nagelsbach, the Council felt that we must have a nurse during the intervening time before Dr. Daugherty should arrive. And we have been truly grateful for her help, as well as for the addition to the other departments of the Station. She is such a devoted Christian that we have been uplifted to have her in our midst. She has a large clinic, many lepers, and is also doing some work among the Europeans in the town. I am particularly glad to have her for company, for it has been rather lonely for one Women's Board representative these two years.

This afternoon Viola and I will ride out an hour and a half to visit some friends we have made and to pay a medical call. Last time we were caught in the rain and came

Mrs. Walker and her Sabbath School Class
Courtesy of Board of Foreign Missions

home thoroughly wet. The rains will soon be upon us and then we will have to give up riding and confine our visits to the town. We like particularly to visit the homes where there are little new babies and give some lessons on how to care for them. The mothers respond well and I am glad to say our twins. James and John, are

getting daily baths and clean clothes when they have any at all. The mother had been one of my Thursday afternoon Bible Class members, so gave us the honor of naming her twin sons. I claim John and Viola claims James, and we dressed them in some baby clothes sent by a Philadelphia Missionary Society. How we do appreciate the little garments our thoughtful friends send out!

Very sincerely,

MRS. RUTH L. WALKER

SAYO, ABYSSINIA

The past year the Sayo Girls' School had an average of ten boarders. Beside these there were ten day students, some of whom were married women. The day students paid five cents a month tuition; but with one exception, we could not get any tuition from the boarders. This exception was a mission servant boy who paid twenty-five cents a month for his sister. Five daughters of Greek merchants paid one dollar a month each which was used for the boarding school. Other funds for the boarding school were given by missionaries at Sayo. The Foreign Board missionaries have also been very good in supplying not only some financial aid, but our books, slates, room etc.

This year we will start a new plan and have our own supplies and conduct the girls' school in a rest house on the compound. All new pupils in the boarding school must pay one dollar and a half for the school year. The day school tuition will be the same. Our dormitory is limited to fourteen girls and that is about all we can care for until the Women's General Missionary Society takes over the work. We hope this day is not very far distant.

ISABEL BLAIR

ANSWERED PRAYER

By Miss Laura B. Walker

The most outstanding answer to our prayers is the wife of the policeman, who although tried by a fanatical son and never allowed out of her home is openly testifying to her new faith daily. She confesses to proofs of grace in her life that she never knew before. Surely her life is one who "walks in the newness of life."

Another answer is the number of applications that have come to enter Bible work. True they are not trained workers but we feel God is working in the hearts of His children.

By Miss Ida Whiteside

It is difficult to persuade Moslems to put their girls into our school at Luxor. They fear our Bible teaching and also here in the Up Country they are more opposed to any education for girls than in the Delta. So we are always praying that God will send us more Moslem girls. One day the pupil of one of our Bible women, a Moslem woman, divorced and poor, brought her little girl, begging us to take her in a free boarder, and to make her a Christian. We had no scholarship available, but it did not seem right to refuse such an answer to prayer as she was. So we took her, trusting the Lord would answer our prayers for the necessary funds. Within a week a letter from America brought word of a new scholarship that would come from the missionary society of my own church." Before ye call I will answer, while ye are yet speaking, I will hear.

PRESENT ADDRESS OF MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY THE WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY AND DATE OF APPOINTMENT

INDIA

Miss Emma Dean Anderson, 1881 .....Gurdaspur
Miss Ruth I. Ardrey, 1924 .....Gujranwala
Miss Agnes Ballantyne, 1925 .....Sialkot
Miss Hazel Bennett, 1908 .....Gujranwala
Miss Rebecca Jean Black, 1921 .....Sangla Hill
Miss Lois Boyd, 1918 .....Sialkot
Miss Theresa Brownlee, 1922 .....Badomali
Miss Mary Evelyn Cathcart, 1925 .....Sialkot
Miss Henrietta Cowden, 1905 .....Sialkot
Miss Laurella Dickson, 1897 .....Pasrur
Miss Margaret Fehlman, 1913 .....Gurdaspur
Miss Bessie Fleming, 1913 .....Sargodha
Miss Ella M. Gordon, 1893 .....Campbellpur
Miss Nancy Hadley, 1904 .....Zafarwal
Miss Evva P. Hartig, R. N., 1924 .....Jhelum
Miss Kate A. Hill, 1896 .....Sargodha
Miss Zarra S. Hoon, 1921 .....Rawalpindi
Miss Flora E. Hormel, R. N., 1925 .....Sialkot
Miss Janette Howland, 1921 .....Lyallpur
Dr. Reba C. Hunsberger, 1921 .....Sialkot
Miss Flora Jameson, 1903 .....Sangla Hill
Miss Mary Kyle, 1904 .....Pasrur
Miss Olive Laing, 1912 .....Sialkot City
Miss Mary E. Logan, 1891 .....Jhelum
Miss E. Josephine Martin, 1896 .....Pathankot
Miss Jane E. Martin, 1905 .....Taxilla
Miss Fannie C. Martin, 1895 .....Gurdaspur
Miss Maude Mitchell Miller, 1925 .....Sialkot
Miss Henrietta Moore, 1898 .....Pathankot
Miss Sara Moore, 1917 .....Sangla Hill
Miss Esther Moyer, 1924 .....Lyallpur
Miss Jean B. Morrison, 1895 .....Abbottabad
Miss Margaret L. Murdoch, 1924 .....Sargodha
Miss Elizabeth McCahon, 1875 .....Sialkot City
Miss Rose A. McCullough, 1879 .....Gujranwala
Miss Janet E. Nesbit, 1925 .....Gujranwala
Miss Viola May Nourse, R. N., 1923 ....Sialkot City
Miss Willa Ramsey, 1921 .....Pathankot
Miss Laura Reynolds, 1924 .....Badomali
Dr. J. P. Simpson, 1902 .....Jhelum
Miss Kate E. Spencer, 1918 .....Sargodha
Miss Emma M. Stauffer, R. N., 1925 .....Sialkot
Miss Lorena B. Taylor, 1922 .....Sangla Hill
Miss Vivian L. Trimble, 1921 .....Shiekhupura
Miss Evelyn Tromans, 1923 .....Pasrur
Miss Edna Ward, 1923 .....Sargodha
Miss Ruth A. Warnock, 1913 .....Pasrur
Miss Josephine White, 1884 .....Rawalpindi
Miss Carrie Worman, 1921 .....Campbellpur

ON FURLOUGH IN IRELAND

Miss Eleanor W. Maconachie, 1909 .....
The Manse, Hollywood, County Down, Ireland

NOW IN THIS COUNTRY

Miss Helen Artman, 1920, R. F. D. 62, Pulaski, Pa.
Miss Hannah H. Beale, 1920,.....
.....3611 Greenview Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Miss Kathryn Beattie, 1920, Shannon City, Iowa
Miss Minnie Beatty, 1912, R. F. D. 4, Chicora, Pa.
Miss Roma Beatty, 1909 .....Shadyside, Ohio
Miss Edna Broyles, 1919 .....Sedalia, Missouri
Miss Lois Buchanan, 1910 .....Monmouth, Ill.
Miss Vida J. Graham, 1922, %Dr. R. S.
Graham, Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, O.
Miss Florence Jones, R. N., 1920, ...
%Mrs. Amalong, 443 Ella St., Wilkinsburg, Pa.
Miss Mary A. Lawrence, 1893, ...
.....173 Ravenwood St., Bellevue, Pa.
Miss Mary F. Lincoln, R. N., 1919 .....
.....1502 Penn Ave., Wichita, Kansas
Miss Mary R. Martin, 1890 .....
3225 Gaylord Ave., S. H. Branch, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Miss Lillian McConnell, 1902 ....Stuttgart, Arkansas
Miss Louise Scott, 1916 .....New Wilmington, Pa.
Miss Georgia Wengart, 1919, Blue Mound, Kansas
Maria, White, M. D., 1886,.....
.....314 Boyles Ave., New Castle, Pa.
Miss Dora B. Whitely, 1911 .....
227 North Jefferson St., Canonsburg, Pa.
Miss Cynthia Wilson, 1875.....
66 North Chester Ave., Pasadena, California
Miss Rosa T. Wilson, 1886.....
66 North Chester Ave., Pasadena, California
Miss Gertrude Zink, 1919 .....
.....1715 Meadville St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

EGYPT

Miss Jean S. Campbell, 1923 .....Cairo
Miss Ida Cabeen, 1909 .....Alexandria
*Mrs. Mary K. Coventry, 1918 .....Cairo
Miss Mary F. Dawson, 1922 .....Cairo
Miss Gudrun C. Estvad, 1925 .....Cairo
Miss Davida Finney, 1914 .....Assiut
Miss Minnehaha Finney, 1894 .....Tanta
Miss Alta Grace French, 1925 .....Cairo
Miss Elsie French, 1909 .....Zagazig
Miss Martha Glass, 1921 .....Alexandria
Miss Alice Grimes, 1924 .....Cairo
Miss May Holland, 1913 .....Benha
Miss Rena Hogg, 1896 .....Assiut
Miss Lucy Lightowler, 1921 .....Alexandria
Miss Helen J. Martin, 1914 .....Cairo
Miss Sarah B. Meloy, 1923 .....Tanta
Miss E. Roxie Martin, 1901 .....Cairo
Miss Jeannette McCrory, 1916 .....Benha
Miss Carol McMillan, 1906 .....Tanta
Miss Lillian McClelland, 1923 .....Monsurah
Miss Helen Noordewier, 1921 .....Beni Suef
Miss Frances M. Patton, 1922 .....Monsurah
Miss Venna R. Patterson, 1924 .....Cairo
Miss Mary Estelle Robertson, 1922 .....Cairo
Mrs. Rachel Tracy Seiver, 1925 .....Cairo
Miss Jane C. Smith, 1922 .....Luxor
Miss Margaret A. Smith, 1872 .....Cairo
Miss Marie F. Tait, 1925 .....Cairo
Miss Anna Y. Thompson, 1871 .....Cairo
Miss Mary L. Thompson, 1917 .....Assiut
Miss Laura B. Walker, 1904 .....Luxor
Miss Elizabeth S. White, 1924 .....Cario
Miss Ida B. Whiteside, 1924 .....Luxor
Miss Ruth Mary Williamson, 1924 .....Cairo
Miss Margaret Work, 1924 .....Cairo
Miss Ruth Work, 1904 .....Assiut
Miss Laura B. Wright, 1921 .....Fayoum

NOW IN THIS COUNTRY

Miss Ella M. Barnes, 1911.....
.....710 E. Archer Ave., Monmouth, Ill.
Miss Margaret Bell, 1901 .....Tarkio, Missouri
Dr. Carrie M. Buchanan, 1893 .....
1608 Eutaw Place, Baltimore, Maryland
Miss Anna B. Criswell, 1905 .....
.....422 W. Logan St., Clarinda, Ia.
Miss Lucia Dwight, 1919 .....
.....807 S. 19th St., St. Joseph, Missouri
Miss Dora Giffen, 1920 .....
%Rev. E. Morrison Giffen, New Concord, Ohio
Miss Alfretta Hammond, 1904 .....
.....State Hospital, Warren, Pa.
Miss Isabel Hosack, R. N., 1912 .....
.....146 East Market St., Mercer, Pa.
Miss Dora Mason, 1918 .....
.....1428 Elm St., Wilkinsburg, Pa.
Miss Evelyn McFarland, 1919, New Wilmington, Pa.
*Miss Marion Paden, 1920, %Mrs. D. C. Wills
13247 Euclid Ave., Suite 4, Cleveland, Ohio
Miss Edna B. Sherriff, 1920 .....
%Mr. Geo. E. Sherriff, R. F. D., Norwalk, Ia.
Miss Ethel L. Weed, 1919 .....
912 E. Second Ave., Monmouth, Illinois
Miss Esther W. Wilson, 1919 .....
.....1128 Third Ave., New Brighton, Pa.

SUDAN

Miss Mary Cole, 1919 .....Wadi Halfa
Miss Una Cole, 1918 .....Wadi Halfa
Miss Elsie E. Grove, 1912 .....Khartum North
Miss Mary Frances Herron, 1922 Khartum North
Miss Ray Huffman, R. N. 1924 .....Nasser
Miss Mary Jane McKnight, 1922, Khartum North

*Miss Aulora McIntyre, 1919 .....Khartum North
Miss Kathryn MacKenzie, 1919 .....Khartum North
Miss Madeline E. Wilson, 1924, ...Khartum North

NOW IN THIS COUNTRY

Miss Luella Denny, 1922 .....
.....920 S. 12th., Canon City, Colorado
Miss C. Blanche Soule, R. N., 1921, %Mrs. Robert Killough, 6817 Cresheim Rd., Pelham, Philadelphia, Pa.
Miss Frances Turk, 1921, %Agnes M. McCune, 823, E. Hutchinson Ave., Edgewood, Pittsburgh, Pa.

ABYSSINIA

Miss Viola May Bayne, R. N., 1924 .....Gorei
Miss Ruth C. Beatty, R. N., 1920, Reedsville, Pa.
Miss Isabel Blair, 1922 .....Sayo
Miss Florence Davidson, 1922 .....Addis Ababa
Miss Hazel Ewing, R. N., 1923, ...Addis Ababa
Miss Elizabeth McKibben, 1924 .....Sayo
Miss Florence D. White, 1923 .....Addis Ababa
Mrs. Ruth Lobaugh Walker, 1923 .....Gorei
*Re-Appointed

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INDIA

Miss Edith Pratt, R. N., 1926 .....
.....1544 S. 53rd St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Faith W. Reed, M. D., 1926 .....
.....1946 E. 101st St., Cleveland, Ohio

EGYPT

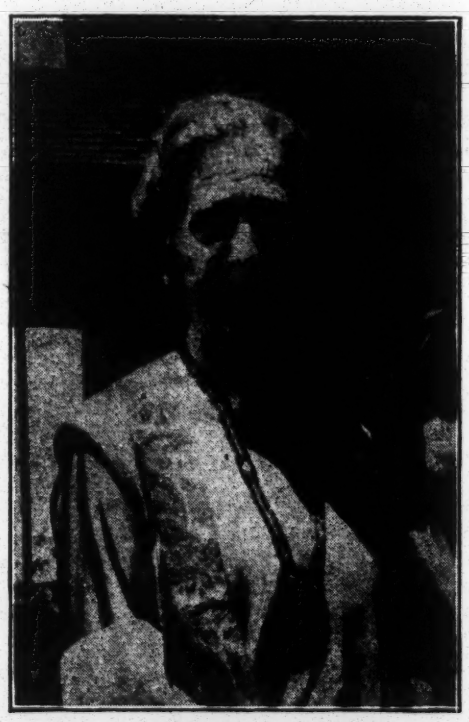
Miss Mildred Allison, 1926 .....
.....910 Marshall Ave., New Castle, Pa.
Mrs. Ada A. Dunlap, 1926 .....
.....Cairo, Egypt, %American Mission
Mrs. Sara May Eby, 1926 .....
....1241 Arnold Ave., N. W., Canton, Ohio
Miss Lois Dorothy Kingan, 1926 .....
960 Third Ave., Los Angeles, California

SUDAN

Miss Marguerite M. McClellan, 1926 .....
.....228 S. Water St., Olathe, Kansas

ABYSSINIA

Miss Zelpha Viola Painter, 1926 .....
.....419 Robison St., Pitcairn, Pa.



MRS. MARGARET ANDREWS,
Chicopee, Mass.

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On Thursday morning May 6th, 1926 God called to her Heavenly home, our beloved president, Mrs. Margaret Andrews.

We, the members of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of Chicopee, Mass. desire to express our love and syampathy to the bereaved ones in their great sorrow. We know that they have been already strengthened and comforted by Him who has promised, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee."

As president of our Society her help and sympathy will ever be an incentive for us to carry on the work she loved and to which she so willingly gave of her time and strength.

We will always remember her as a loyal and faithful member, a true friend. We mourn her loss deeply.

As Thank-Offering Secretary for the Boston Presbyterial she ably fulfilled the responsibilities connected with that office.

Her work on earth finished the Master said "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

May God bless, comfort and sustain the bereaved ones who have had the privilege of being members of her home circle and of coming under the influence of her beautiful Christian life.

Commitee, Mrs. John Taylor,
Mrs. Thomas Smethurst

MRS. ADDIE ASKREN

Mrs. Addie Askren, of the Mount Ayr congregation, College Springs Presbytery, passed away April 18, 1926. Mrs. Askren was the mother of Dr. D. L. Askren of the Faiyum, Egypt. For many years her interest in missions was unfailing, and she had a wide acquaintance among the missionaries. The land of Egypt was especially dear to her heart. She was a woman of unusual intellect and ability and will be greatly missed by her friends and by the community in which she lived for many years.

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We wish to thank all who have contributed in any way to this work in the past and ask for your hearty support and co-operation in the future.

The Seventieth Prayer Group was organized at Minden, Nebraska. Dr. Martha Hamilton is correspondent.

RUGS

The first box of rugs for the Mary Clokey Porter Girls' Boarding School arrived in Tanta in May. They were sent by the Women's Missionary Society and the King's Daughters' Society of the Grand Avenue United Presbyterian Church of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. They were nine in number and very pretty. They were immediately put to use, as the school had moved over just a day or two before they arrived.

REPORT OF

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

THE United Presbyterian Womens' Association of North America the oldest sister in the Women's activities of our beloved Church, extends to the Women's General Missionary Society greetings which are hearty and sincere. The older sister does not hesitate to tell you that five years before you were born, she had a Charter that permitted her to care for orphan children, and, when necessary, to place them in suitable Christian homes until they became of age. It has always been a joy to her to know that from the very beginning of the work of the General Missionary Society, the Association women were found in the front rank of service. Indeed, the work is so closely bound together that no report of the work accomplished by the women of our Church is complete until the facts concerning the care of the orphan, the sick and the aged are related to you.

ORPHANS' HOME

Many of you know the work accomplished in our Orphans' Home—ninety children have been placed under the care of the Management during the past year—some of them have been dismissed to the care of the family and friends and the average number in the Home today is sixty-five. It is a home—not an institution. They dress as do other children and attend our public schools—they are well cared for, sturdy, rosy cheeked and well clothed. They compare favorably with the children in your home and mine— their behavior is above the average. They know how to behave in the Lords' house—no whispering or talking, and every head bent reverently during prayer. The holidays are made joyful by the Young Women's Auxiliary; every pleasure and joy by the children in well ordered homes, is given to our children. When seriously ill, or when an operation is necessary, they are sent to Columbia Hospital—for minor complaints they are cared for in the Infirmary. The great need at present is a new building. The present Home was suitable forty years ago, but today the neighborhood has changed, and there are many good reasons why a new location and building are necessary. For many years the Committee on sites, has endeavored to find a suitable piece of property. When you remember that we must locate near a United Presbyterian Church and a public school and where car fare is reasonable, you will understand something of the perplexities of the committee on sites. But we know our Heavenly Father has the exact place where our Orphans' Home will be situated, and we are prayerfully awaiting His guidance. It costs much to maintain a family of this size, and our bills amount to about two thousand dollars each month. Day by day the minor duties relating to our children have been performed—they cannot be measured by figures, and yet, the influence for good is mountain high in strengthening our boys and girls to become Christian men and women.

The Orphans' Home had been in operation but a few years when, in

no uncertain way, the Master led us by His providence to begin our Hospital work. It was called the United Presbyterian Memorial Hospital—nearly all the equipment and furnishment were donated as memorials. There were thirteen little beds for children and, for years, it was a necessary and successful feature of our Orphans' Home work. It was, indeed, "a day of small things;" but He went before us. The Managers worked and prayed: the efforts were blessed by Him who has promised to guide us and the Orphans' Home and the Little Hospital were free from debt when we were called to undertake another form of helpfulness.

HOME FOR AGED PEOPLE

From the beginning of the Orphans' Home work, letters would be received from time to time, from lonely aged ones to their friends—asking for their admission into our Orphans' Home; they would darn the stockings—they would care for the younger children. How we prayed that God would lead us in His own way, in His own time, to care for His servants who were facing life's setting sun—homeless. Oh, the pity of it. They needed a home and would promise almost anything if we would admit them, and they were sincere in all they said. Like the Master whom we serve, many of them were friendless and "had not where to lay their heads"—and we could not help them. Many a manager went home from these meetings with a sore heart because we had to refuse their request. One day there was a loud clear call to go forward—the way was opened—the Master was directing us and we dared not falter. Some of you may be asking in your own minds, "how did the call come to go forward?" A short distance from our Orphans' Home there lived and aged man and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Henry, members of Dr. Witherspoon's Church, who were deeply interested in the Orphans' Home. They visited it frequently and seldom came empty-handed; they knew all about our applications we were receiving for the admission of aged friends, and they knew how grieved the Managers were to say "no" to these requests. One day they sent for the President of the Association, and, after talking over matters relating to the Orphans' Home and Memorial Hospital, they said to her "we ought to have a Home for the aged," to which she agreed, telling them that the way would be made clear to undertake the work in the Lord's own good time. Before she left their home they handed her a deed for a very nice house on one of the very best streets in Allegheny. They told her to begin the work right away, sell the house or do anything with it that was thought advisable, but—begin the work. Did I say we waited for a loud call before going forward? Applications began pouring in, and in a short time we realized that we must have a large house and if possible, surrounded by attractive grounds. Our encouragements were many—our reputation for managing an Orphans' Home and small Hospital served us well—contributions were received and our friends encouraged us in many ways. Our plans were prepared for remodeling and enlarging a fine old mansion in Pitts-

burgh, directly across the street from one of our United Presbyterian Churches, but before we could get to work there was a general strike among carpenters. When the strike was settled, we found we were not planning largely enough for all who were applying, but our disappointments were the Master's appointments and we trusted His guidance. The committee on sites traveled far and near, praying ever that we would be led to a suitable location. I need not tell you how we rejoiced when the present site was purchased. So pleased were some of our friends that they doubled their original contributions. More than once we have been obliged to enlarge our building, and today, we are caring for a family of eighty-five. Our Orphans' Home and Home for the Aged are *Homes,* not institutions. Christ is the head of these homes—the unseen member of our families. Where do the members of this family in our Home for the Aged come from? Eighteen states have been represented, from California on the West to Massachusetts on the East—from Colorado, from the State of Washington, from Kansas, from Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri and other States. You will agree with me that the Home is not local in its work. Words are inadequate to describe to you our Home for the Aged. It is a home in every sense of the word, the rooms are bright and light, our heating system has been so well planned that no matter how cold the weather may be, it is always warm and comfortable inside. Two beautiful sun-parlors have been added recently—they have been furnished without stint by two members of the Board. It would be impossible to tell you how much they are used and enjoyed. Sabbath services are held every Sabbath afternoon and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administered once a year. Every year the family present a formal Thank-Offering — special services are arranged, and out of their meagre personal funds, they send to the Women's General Missionary Society their gift of gratitude.

The health of many improves after they are admitted; no anxiety, no cares, no hard work, good food and pleasant fellowship and surroundings are all conducive to good health. Persons admitted to the Home are expected to give the Board, in addition to their admission fee, all money and property belonging to them. They are given 4% for the money the same interest that is paid in our savings banks; the money reverting to the Board when they have no further use for the interest. The Managers of the Home are doing their best to bring to every member of the family the deep rich abiding joy that can and does come only to those who are in the evening of life. Last year it cost about twenty-eight hundred dollars each month to meet necessary expenditures.

COLUMBIA HOSPITAL

Columbia Hospital is the outgrowth of the Little Memorial Hospital which was at first intended for use of the Orphans' Home children. For eighteen years the work was carried on enlarging its scope for the admission of other sick children besides those sent to us from the

Orphans' Home. From time to time came requests for admission from women and especially from our missionaries—who, returning from their furlough, wearied in body and mind and very often requiring physical attention. We were obliged to refuse all such appeals; it was a Children's Hospital with only thirteen beds. How we regretted that we were unable to admit them and mingled with our regret came the inquiries from Managers and friends "why not enlarge our work." We had a fine staff composed of some of the best physicians in the State—our death rate was low and we very seldom received a fee from a patient. Every now and then a friend knowing something of our work and labor would send a donation for a new Hospital—at first these donations would provoke a smile for it seemed that the sort of a Hospital that we dreamed of was in the far distant future but the loving Father was guiding the workers and unfolding to us His plans. One of the most prominent physicians on the North Side, Dr. Jas. Herron, who knew our hopes and was interested, sent us the deed of a valuable piece of property in a very desirable location in Allegheny: although we had been praying for a long while that wisdom would be given to us in the selection of a site for our enlarged work when it came we were overwhelmed and our hearts were filled with gratitude and our mouths with praise for the way in which the Great Physician was leading us. Shortly after this a prominent business man died and left us $15,000; his sister was a member of our Board but—why weary you with the recital of how step by step we were led into the larger work of Columbia Hospital. 'Tis true our hopes were sometimes overturned. We had plans prepared by our architect to build on the property given to us that we all thought so desirable but He showed us in His own way that a larger plot was necessary and in many ways thwarted our purposes. Twenty years ago our vision became a reality and we entered our beautiful well equipped Columbia Hospital. June first 1906 was a day long to be remembered—thousands of our friends came to inspect our new building and we entered it free from debt. We were not long in the new building until we found it necessary to build a dormitory for our nurses and additional rooms. Shortly after this a beautiful nursery was added to our maternity department—the expense of which was met by one of our Managers. Nor was this all—the same good woman, together with the other Managers, realized that our dining room for superintendent, internes and nurses was much too small and her check came for an amount to cover the entire cost of beautiful new dining rooms for all persons required to carry on the work. For some time past it has frequently been necessary to refuse to admit patients for lack of room. The community in which the hospital is located had a population twenty years ago of 10,000; today, it has 30,000. Members of our Staff are oft-times obliged to send their patients to other institutions because we are unable to care for them. Today we are free from debt. The women of the United Presbyterian Church have demonstrated that they are progressive—you do

not want the hospital work to stand still—it must either advance or go backward. We have at present 196 beds. A new addition to our dormitory giving us room for twenty-five additional nurses and making available eleven more rooms for patients has been begun. The approximate cost will be $100,000.00. A large sum of money 'tis true but He who has led us thus far and to whom belong the silver and gold and the cattle upon the hills will guide us in the days to come if we are but faithful. He has set the seal of His approval upon our work and we dare not falter. There are sixty young women in our Training School—the course of training is three years. It is a source of pride and satisfaction to know that our school has always stood in the front rank among the Hospital Training Schools of Pennsylvania. Five of our graduates have been sent by our Women's Board to minister to the sick in foreign lands and to tell the story of redeeming love to those who know not the great Physician. Our missionaries, when patients in Columbia, are always our guests; the joy we have in knowing that they leave us rested and better fitted for their work is the only renumeration we ask. The Hospital has always stood in "Class A" among the hospitals of our State. Every requirement for a well equipped up to date institution has been met. Our Staff is composed of some of the best men in the profession and the results of their efforts have been gratifying. During the past year 3184 patients have been admitted. We have cared for 27 missionaries which means that every day during the past year a missionary was a patient and for sixty-five days of this year we had two missionary patients. The annual receipts of the hospital are large but they seldom meet our expenditures—when we tell you that out of every hundred patients twenty-five of them are free you will readily understand why we report a deficit in our receipts. We are not in the work to make money—and we do not consider the cost when human life is at stake. There are twenty-five young women connected with each Institution banded together for the advancement of the work—they are eager to help and all they do for the work is done in a whole-hearted, intelligent way. We sometimes wonder what we would do without them—every holiday is observed—Christmas, New Years Day, Valentine Day, Easter, Fourth of July, Hallow'een and Thanksgiving are made bright and cheerful by the members of our Auxiliaries. It is a great satisfaction to those of us who have labored these many years to know that splendid young women are in training to take our places. Our annual lawn fete is an occasion always looked forward to with pleasure. Would that I might describe it accurately—a beautiful lawn dotted with gaily decorated booths—the members of the various committees going hither and thither—our aged friends, members of the Home family, with faces bright and interested, watching the various committees as they plan the work. About two o'clock our friends and visitors come by hundreds—later supper is being served, then we hear the music from the brass band—electric lights are

flooding the grounds as with sunshine—every one seems festive and happy and our receipts are more than $7,000.00. Are some of you saying "did you get all of that money one afternoon and evening?" My answer is "No—No"— the members of the Committees have been working for months and report the result of their efforts at the lawn fete. We have three Donation Days during the year; the Orphans' Home Managers had a very interesting one on June sixth—the Hospital Managers observe the anniversary of Florence Nightingale's birthday May twelfth —and the Managers of the Home for Aged on Washington's birthday. Invitations are sent out and our friends come bringing gifts needed for the carrying on of the work and leave generous donations of money. The Managers always serve tea and other refreshments and we always have a very pleasant time. We wish you were all members of our Association one dollar a year makes you an annual member—twenty-five dollars, paid at any one time, makes you a life member—and one hundred dollars at any one time, makes you a life Director. Our last annual report showed that we have 245 Life Directors—632 Life Members and 2699 Annual Members—total of 3576 members.

Never in the history of our work—no matter how meagre was our financial condition—did we resort to having a Tag Day—nor a card party —nor a theatre party to increase our funds. We record with gratitude the contributions that have come to us through the New World Movement.

The speaker would be glad to receive membership fees or donations for the work of which you have just heard.

Our report would not be complete without expressing our thanks to all who have sent us a gift, to every contributor to the New World Movement, every society that has sent us boxes and barrels of fruit, jellies and jams—for the fresh vegetables that have meant so much to us—for the sewing you have done—for your donations of money and for kind, helpful letters that have been an inspiration to us. We have finished the story of our work for the year— it is not an easy work—there were many perplexities and problems that frequently brought us to our knees. An Association Manager cannot lightly regard her duties—her position demands much time, thought, prayers and gifts—but He, Who was never born, Who was never young, Who was never old, Who was never sick, Whose name is I AM THAT I AM has said "they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength—they shall mount up with wings as eagles—they shall run and not be weary—they shall walk and not faint."

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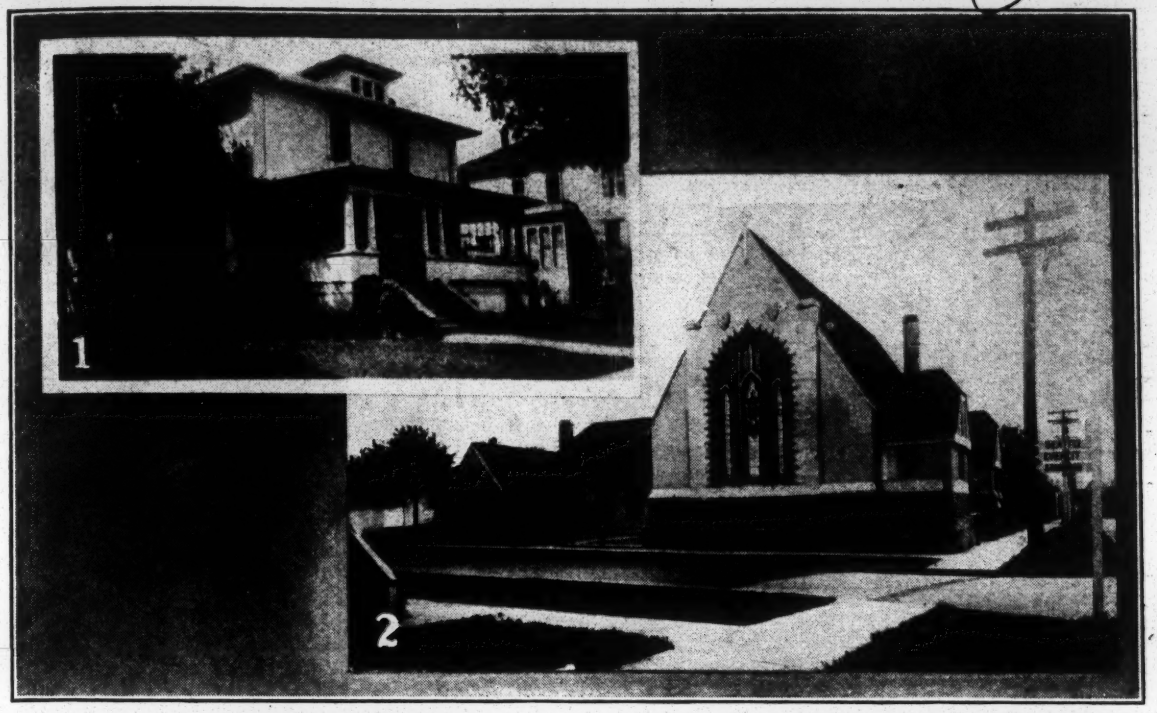

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THE INTERPRETER

I am an alien here, and yet,
I think as other women do,
I love as others everywhere.
To fullness of life I also aspire
And long for friends who understand.
Far from home, alone and strange
I sought to enter in and be with you,
But this, your great America,
Is shut away and hidden quite
Behind a wall of language new and customs strange to me.
Is there no little open gate
Where I may enter in
To play and sing with you,
To add my gifts to yours, and build with you
A better world
And larger life?

I am the new American
No longer alien here,
For I have found the gate that's in the wall.
To me upon one golden day
There came a friend.
She spoke my mother tongue,
She knew my thoughts and ways,
She was the Key,
That fit the long-locked door,
She was the Way,
The open door of life for me.
To better, more abundant life
She led me in.
And now,
I speak your tongue,
I think your thoughts,
I add my gifts to yours, and help you build
The World anew
In our America.

Elizabeth Russell Hendee,
In the Women's Press